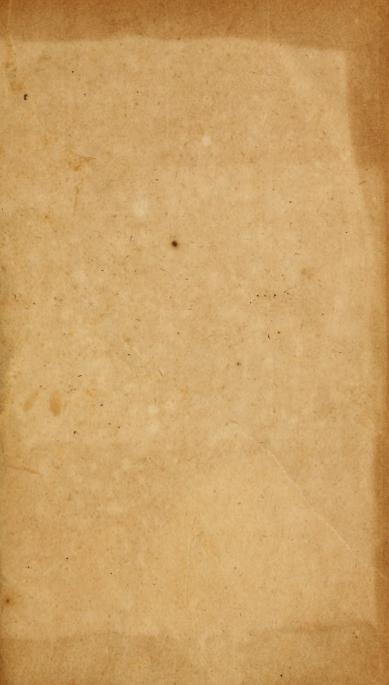
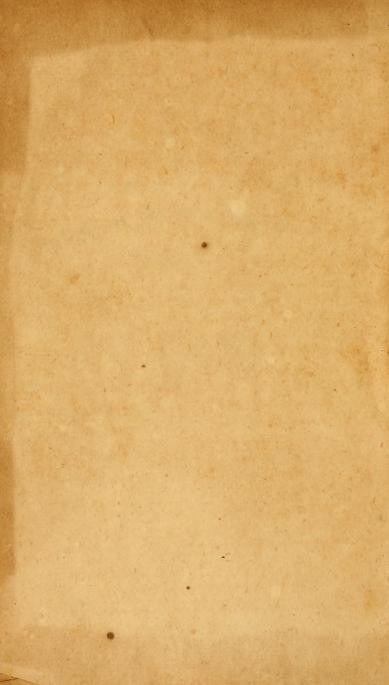
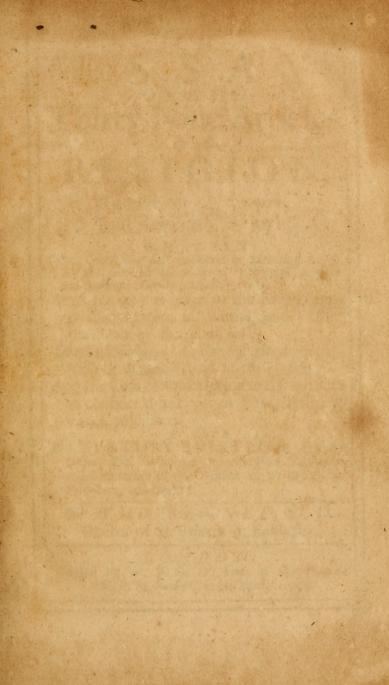


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SIR,

EREWITH You receive some Papers, which I once hop'd, I should have been able to present You with, a Twelvemonth since. The Truth is, unsuspected Diffir culties appear'd, fresh Thoughts arose, and new Inquiries offer'd themselves; which often oblig'd me to make considerable Enlargements, and then to wait the Judgment of my Friends. I remember, I have several times given You Hints of this Nature. But these Circumstances, as they have retarded the Publication, so they have contributed very much, I thank God, to the Discovery of the Truth, and the Confirmation of what I had written. In short, I am not unwilling to confess, that for about a Year and half I have been dragging this Book through the Press; and such as it now is, I humbly beg, and indeed I promise my self, that You will accept a Copy of it kindly.

But,

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But, Sir, I find my self under a Necessity of begging one other Favor of You. The Author of a Pamphlet intituled Priestcraft in Perfection, publist'd about Five Years since, has been pleas'd to concele himself; and therefore (whatever Suspicions I may have entertain'd) I will not at present undertake to name him. But I find it a generally receiv'd Opinion, that You do certainly know who he is, and are acquainted with him. Wherefore I take the Liberty of suggesting to You a few Things, which it behoves that Author to reflect upon very seriously. And as I cannot doubt, but Your Honor and Friendship will oblige You to communicate them faithfully: so I crave the Assistance of Your good Offices to enforce my weak Endevors, that they may sensibly affeet and awaken his Conscience, and work a Reformation in him.

Imust frankly own, that when I first enter'd upon my Work, I did not intend to concern my self with the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article; and consequently I was not bound to consider what Your Friend has urg'd. He had indeed raised a Dust about the Point: but Mr. Bedford soon bassled and expos'd his Performance. Besides, I well knew, that the present Bishop of Rochester had search'd very carefully into the Merits of that Cause, and design'd to clear it still more thoroughly. I determin'd therefore to refer my Reader to their Books, and consine my self to such other Particulars as are handled in this Essay.

But, soon after I had imparted my Resolution to him, his Lordship was advanc'd to the Episcopal Dignity, and necessitated, thro' the Multiplicity of his Affairs, to drop the Prosecution of that Controversy. He was therefore pleas'd to communicate to me, in the most obliging Manner, all the Observations he had made, and all the Notices he had collected, relating to that Dispute; and he gave me Leave to enrich my own Papers with them. Thus did I not only contract a Debt of the humblest Gratitude to his Lordship, which I gladly embrace this Opportunity of acknowledging: but also laid my self under an Obligation to answer the End of his Lordship's Favor, by vindicating the Clergy of the Establish'd Church from the heavy Charge of forging that Clause, which Your Friend has

laid upon them.

However, I did not judge it advisable to enter on a personal Dispute with him; much less to pursue him in his own Manner and Method. 'Tis in my Opinion sufficient, that I have plac'd the Facts in so true a Light, that what he has written, will presently appear, to any Person of common Understanding, a Bundle of Ignorance and Mistakes. He has indeed prov'd nothing at all, but that he was almost an utter Stranger to his own Subject. For he knew not one Syllable more of it, than barely serv'd to puzzle himself, and in his Opinion to blacken the Clergy. This has been already shewn so clearly, that he himself has own'd the Charge, by not daring, in so long time, to offer one Word of a Reply to his Learned Adversary. For that this Silence could not be the Effect of his Modesty, I presume, I need not observe to you. A 3

I heartily wish, that this were the severest Imputation, which Your Friend has exposed himself to by the publishing of that mean Pamphlet. But there is something behind of a much blacker Nature. He has been bold enough to broach the grossest Untruths in Matters of Fact, merely to support and varnish his Malice against the Clergy. I will touch upon the Particulars, and appeal to Your own Conscience for

the inexcusable Baseness of them.

Pag. 13. He has these Words; As to the imprinted Book of Articles that was ratify'd by Parliament, either it was never tack'd to the Original Record of the Act, or else it has been fince purloin'd from it: for upon Examination in the Office where the Records are kept, the imprinted Book refer'd to in the Act of Parliament is not to be found. You will remember, Sir, that this Pamphlet is intituled Priestcraft in Perfection: so that the pretended Forgery of the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article is charg'a on the Priests; and the whole Tenor of his Book is such, that the purloining of an imprinted Copy of the Articles from the Uriginal Record of the Act, if any such Copy were ever tack'd to it, must be understood as a Branch of the same Priestcraft, which has impos'd that Clause on the World.

Let us now confider Your Friend's Words. He does not indeed directly affert, that an imprinted Book had been tack'd to the Original Record of the Act, and purloin'd from thence: but then 'tis manifest, he would have his Reader believe, that there is just Ground for such a Suspicion, the Odium of

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which is consequently cast on the Priests. Now as to the tacking of an imprinted Book to the Original Record of the Ast, 'tis a mere Dream (see the 17th Chapter of my Essay, p. 255. and Chap. 32. p. 406, 407, 408) and therefore I shall wast no 1 ime upon the filly Query put by Your Friend in his Margin, viz. Where to find the Articles by Law establish'd, fince the imprinted Book past by Parliament, that contain'd them, is not upon Record? However, You may be pleas'd to consult my 30th Chapter. But what I insist upon is this. Your Friend has manifestly abus'd his Reader, by causing him to suspect, that an imprinted Book was probably tack'd to the Original Record of the Act; and that some of the Priests had purloin'd it. Whereas he could not but know, that this Innuendo is not only utterly groundless, but in the Nature of the Thing utterly impossible to be just or true.

Our Parliamentary Records are in the Custody of fuch Gentlemen, that every honest Inquirer may find easy Access to them. And indeed one would be tempted to gratify his Curiosity with the sight of them, merely for the Pleasure of those Civilities, which one can't but receive in the doing of it. That Your Friend has personally view'd the Record now under Consideration, I don't affirm: but his own Words necessarily imply, that it has been examin'd either by him, or for him. So that he has either seen it himself, or received an Account of it from one that

has seen it.

And if so, be pleas'd to observe the Consequence. He could not but know, that the tacking of an imprinted

printed Book to the Record, was the most unlikely thing in the World. For never was any thing of that Nature practis'd. A Man may instantly discern, with a Cast of his Eye, that there is nothing like it at present, either at the Tower, or at the Chapel of the Rolls. Nay, tho' the Book hereunto annex'd (viz. annex'd to the Bill) is exprest, mention'd in the Act for Uniformity, 14 Car. 2. yet 'tis evident, that no Copy of the Common Prayer Book, whether printed or MS. was ever tack'd to the Record. Nay farther, the very form and Method of the Rolls is such, that any Man who has seen them, would as soon expect to find, that an imprinted Book has been tack'd to our Author's Nose, as to any of the Rolls of Parliament.

This were enough to quash the Suspicion. But this is not all. For I do not believe there is one single Skin of Parchment, in the whole Body of our Records, more unexceptionably clear, than this very Record of the Act, from whence he would infinuat, that an imprinted Book has been purloin'd. Had any Discoloring or Relique of Past, any Hole of a Needle or Pin, any Trace of the bare Fossibility of something having been tack'd to it; appear'd on the Parchment; how would Your Friend have triumph'd? But the Record of this Act, by God's good Providence, is so perfectly fair, that I will readily yield to Your Friend, that an imprinted Book was actually tack'd to it, and purloin'd from it by some of the Priests, if he can but make it appear, that twas so much as harely possible to have been don, without wing such an Impression on the Parchment, as every tye may discern, there is not the smallest Footstep of How

How then was it possible for him to pen this Slander? If he has not directly affirm'd (that was his Crast; tho' I dare say it was no Priestcrast) yet he has notoriously inclin'd his Reader to imagin, that the Priests have committed a most horrible Wickedness, which he knows in his own Conscience, and his own Eyes would tell him, that 'twas absolutly impossible for any Mortal ever to have been guilty of. Had any Priest been guilty of dealing thus with Your Friend, would he not with good Reason have cried out, Priestcrast in Persection!

Again, he says, p 26. that a Friend of his from Oxford wrote him word, that for the first Edition of them (viz. the Articles) in English in the Year 1563, he found there had been one (viz. in the Bodleyan Library) but when he came to look over the Book in which it had been bound up among other Miscellanys, he found it entirely cut out, as appears by the Space that is there left. Now this is a Complication of vile Falshoods, furnish dout betwixt our Author, and his pretended Correspondent at Oxford. I will lay the Matter before You, and I intreat Your Opinion of it.

He says, he desired his Oxford Correspondent to send him a Collation of the first English Edition of the Articles mention'd in the Oxford Catalogue. But then, does the Oxford Catalogue really mention the first English Edition of the Articles? Nothing like it. 'Tis true, in the 46th Page of the first Volum of that Catalogue we have these Words, Articuli Religionis 39 in Synodo Londinensi anno 1562, Anglice. 4to. S. 77. Art. Seld. Do these Words imply, that the first English Edition of the Articles was in

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the Bodleyan Library? Does anno 1562, when it immediatly follows in Synodo Londinensi, mean that that Copy was printed anno 1563? Would not common Sense tell a Man, that the Compiler of the Catalogue (tho' he might have express'd himself better) meant a Copy of the Articles agreed on in the Synod held at London in the Year 1562? Here therefore is one glaring Untruth. For the Catalogue does not say, as Your Friend pretends, that there was in the Bodleyan Library a Copy of the first English Edition of the Articles printed in 1563: but it speaks of an English Edition of the Articles agreed on in 1562, which stands S. 77. Art. Seld. And I assure You, it stands there still, and it was printed in 1586, tho' the Compiler of the Catalogue

forget to insert the Date of the Edition.

Well; but Your Friend pretends, that his Correspondent told him, that he found, there had been in the Bodleyan Library the first Édition of the Arti-cles in English printed in the Year 1563; but when he came to look over the Book in which it had been bound up among other Miscellanys, he found it entirely cut out, as appears by the Space that is there left. This is indeed a likely Story! But the Mischief of it is, there's not one Syllable of Truth in it. 'Tis evident beyond all Possibility of Contradiction, that no such Copy ever was in the Bodleyan Library. I confess, 'tis pretended to have been in one of Mr. Selden's Miscellany Volums. But then 'tis notorious, that such an accarate Method has been used in the Bodleyan Library, that the Curators (or indeed any other Perfon, that is acquainted with it) can at this distance of Time demonstrate, what particular Pamphlets came into that Library in each of those Miscellany Volums, which were Mr. Selden's; and consequently, that the Pamphlet which appears to have been cut out (whatever it was) was actually cut out before ever the Volum came to Oxford.

Tou see therefore, that the only Copy of the Articles, for which the Catalogue refers to that Volum, is still extant in that very Volum. For if it be not the only Copy refer'd to, I desire Your Friend to shew, that the Catalogue does any where mention any other Copy in that Volum. And as for the Space that is left, out of which a Book has manifestly been cut; he might as well have said, that the History of the Py'd Piper, or the Gospel of Sommonocodom (your Friend knows what I mean) was cut out thence. For no Man in the World could have confuted him, otherwise than by saying, that 'tis impossible to discover what that Book was.

I proceed to another Instance. Pag. 38. we read thus: A Friend at Oxford writes me word, that there are Two Latin Copies of the Articles printed in the Year 1563, by Renald Wolfe, wherein the Clause of the Church's Power is inserted; and, says he, I cannot but observe a notable piece of Fraud as to one of these Copies, to the Vellum Cover of which is pasted a long Scroll of Names, of the suppos'd Subscribers to the Articles of 1562. Now, were this a fair Account of the Matter, 'twould indeed be a Demonstration of the monstrous Ignorance of your Friend's

Friend's Informer. A pretty sort of an Ignoramus indeed! an excellent Discoverer of notable Pieces of Fraud! that could not distinguish between the Original Acts of the Convocation of 1562, and that of 1571! Had your Friend no abler Hand to imploy? Was he forc'd to rely upon this blundering Intelligencer? But perhaps he never receiv'd any such Letter as he pretends. Whether 'tis probable that

he did, you your self shall judge, Sir.

I am morally certain, that either your Friend's Account is a mere Forgery of his own, or that he receiv'd it from a certain Gentleman, who, when that Copy with the Scroll affixed to it (of which I have given an Account in my 20th Chapter) was shewn to him (I need not say by whom) remark'd, that the Names differ'd from the Subscription publish'd by Mr. Strype; and he was instantly told, that Mr. Strype's Subscription was that of 1562, and that the Scroll contained that of 1571. And this is so unquestionably true in Fact, that no sensible Man can doubt of it. Nor did that Gentleman make any Objection to it. Who then can conceive, that he would afterwards send up this stupid Accusation? I ao therefore fairly challenge your Friend to produce any genuin Letter to Support his Relation.

Judge now, Sir, of this Libeller's Front! This is the Man that dares accuse the Priests of Forgery! But did ever any one Priest cram so much Falshood into so narrow a Compass, as your Friend has done into his fem Pages? Had they been committed by a Priest, wou'd not your Friend have given such

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guage then does he himself deserve?

For my part, I shall forbear those coarse Expressions, which a Gentleman is not willing either to use, or to hear; tho' your own Conscience will bear me witness, that he has richly deserved them.

And yet perhaps I scarce ought to refrain.

But I will remember, that he is Your Friend: and I hope, when you urge these Matters, you will in your turn bid him remember, that these Priests are my Brethren; and that he has used such intolerable Liberties with our Order, that he ought not to be treated with Ceremony by one, who esteems it his Happiness, as well as his Honor, that he is a Priest. If therefore I spare Your Friend for Your Sake; pray, prevail upon him, for my Sake, to shew good Manners at least for the future, to my Brethren.

But why do I speak of good Manners? Is it possible for your Friend to express himself civily of a Priest? Consider, Sir, how barbarously he has massacred the Reputation of Archbishop Laud and Bishop Pearson. He (a) charges Archbishop Laud with putting a Falshood on the World, and notorious Prevarication, and (b) with prevaricating in behalf of the Church. He (c) charges Bishop Pearson with downright Forgery and Falsisication. And he (d) charges both of them together

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⁽a) Pag. 37. (b) Pag. 39.

⁽c) Pag. 17.

⁽d) Pag. 46.

with offering Things to the World against their own Knowledge, upon this Principle, that out of Conscience they thought themselves obliged to use that Trick of the Zealots, of Lying for the Truth. And what is the Reason of these Reproaches? Why, he would persuade us, that A. Bp. Laud has contradicted himself, and that Bp. Pearson has falsify'd the English Edition of the Articles printed in 1571. Whereas each of these Particulars is (e) a most notorious Falshood, and those foul Reproaches must therefore be retorted on himself. But, Sir, are not such Practices unworthy of a Man? Had any of the Priests used your Friend thus, would he not have said, that such prosligate Scribblers ought to be destroy'd, as the Vermin of the Learned World?

To be plain with you, your Friend has discover'd an inveterate Malice against all Priests in general, and pointed them out for the Pests of Society, and thoroughpaced Villains by Principle and Profession. For (that I may pass by other Flowers of his Eloquence, his oblique Strokes, and side Blows) be pleased to view this single Paragraph. He (f) says, If Priests are capable of venturing to forge an Article of Religion, and Mankind are so stupid as to let them have Success, how can we receive Books of Bulk (such as the Fa-

(f) Pag. 46, 47.

⁽e) This has been shewn by Mr. Bedford in his Answer to Priesteraft in Perfection, p. 61, 70, 71, 141. But the Reader may also compare what he will find in Chap. 2. p. 171, 172. Chap. 20. p. 275. and Chap. 27.

thers and Councils) that have gon thro' their Hands, and lay any Stress or Dependance on their Authority? Ought we not rather to suppose, that where they have had an Opportunity, they have laid out their Natural Talents in Alterations, Interpolations, and Rasures of those Books, than that they have let us have any thing pure and unmixt, as from the Fountain, where it has been in the least Degree in their Power? It seems then, Alterations, Interpolations, and Rasures of those Books that have gon thro' their Hands, and have been in the least Degree in their Power, are the Effects of the Priests Natural Talents. So that, if a Priest does not play the Knave with a Book, whensoever 'tis possible for him to do it, he acts against his Nature.

Decently spoken! and wisely argued!

Pray, Sir, give me leave to put a parallel Case. Suppose I had written thus. Since common Lawyers are capable of venturing to forge Law for the Murder of a King (I need not tell you, what the infamous Bradshaw was and did) and Mankind are so stupid as to let them have Success (This has once been true in Fact, tho' the Charge on the Priests is utterly false) how can we receive Books of Bulk (Tear Books and Reports) that have gon thro' their Hands, and lay any Stress or Dependance on their Authority? Ought we not rather to suppose, that where they have had an Opportunity, they have laid out their Natural Talents in Alterations, Interpolations, and Rasures of those Books, than that they have

let us have any thing pure and unmixt, as from the Fountain, where it has been in the least degree in their Power? Suppose, I say, that I had argu'd thus; would not your Friena have exclam'd? Would be not have branded me for the maddest, the most uncharttable, the most inhuman Wretch upon Earth, for imputing the versonal Guilt of one Man, or a sew, to a whole Prosession; even when I could not but know, that very many of that very Prosession have approved themselves as faithful and steday Supports of the Crown, as can be named of any Rank or Order what wever? Do but make the Application, Sir, and I fatter my seit, you need not exhort your Friena to trass.

It may not be amiss to add, that in the Heat of his Zeal against Priests, your Friend could not find time to consider, that there is scarce one ancient Book extant, which has not gon thro' their Hanas, and been aimo; whole in their Power. What then will become of all ancient Learning? Or how can we trust to this few Scrats of it, which this very Gentieman it some other equally valuable Books aropt from the same Pen) has enacyor'd to an mis-

chief wile?

But st seems, this inherent Knavery of the Prusts, this Load of Guilt which is in eparable from their Function, is only Conditional notwith-standing. For if our Author's Supposition falls to the Ground, then Villany is not the Prinsts inactible Character. The Whole depends upon a bare 1F. For says he, 1F Prinsts are capable. Gr.

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how can we, &c? Ought we not rather, &c? What a Train of dreaaful Consequences does the Supposal of this one Fact (viz. the pretended Forgery of the Controverted Clause) draw after it in the distemper'd Imagination of our Author, who is certainly the most Priestridden Creature I ever heard of, tho' he does not know it? He smels a Priest in every Wickedness. This Conceit perfectly haunts him; and he is sure to rave, when sever it crosses his Brain.

Suppose the Clause were really forg'd, yet 'twill not necessarily follow, that 'twas forg'd by the Priests. But your Friend takes it for granted, that when there is Knavery with respect to Books or Writings, the Priests must needs have a principal Hand in it. For he affures us, that the Natural Talents of Priests are laid out in Alterations, Interpolations, and Rasures. Pray therefore, did the Priests help HIM to write Priestcraft in Persection? Farther, if the Clause was genuin, and the Rasure of it was the Forgery; did the Priests rase the Clause? Or was that Feat Laycraft in Perfection? For I bope, our Author (who, whenever he's at a Loss, curses Priestcrast for it) will in due time, if you shall be pleased to communicate the following Papers, be abundantly convinc'd, that his beloved Discovery (that the Clause was forg'd by the Priests) which he pretends to have (g) demonstrated (h) beyond

⁽g) Pag. 45.

⁽h) Pref. p. 5.

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all Contradiction (i) by incontestable Evidence (k) by the highest Evidence a Matter of Fact is capable of, even (l) the greatest Evidence in the World; is in Reality, notwithstanding all his unparallel'd Considence, an arrant Cheat, which he has endevor'd to palm upon Mankind, by sham Reasonings, heaps of Blunders, impudent Untruths, and malicious Slanders, merely to abuse the Priests.

And what has he gotten by this, and his other Labors? Why, Shame and Confusion in good Plenty. For the Priests have been too hard for him. They have fully shewn, that as they have a better Cause, so they can easily muster up more Learning and Honesty in Defence of it, than our Author and all his Associates will ever be able to grapple with. In short, he has taken great Pains to purchase Universal Contempt; and every new Bauble he has sent abroad, has furnish'd the Priests with new Triumphs over him. And take my Word for it, the farther he goes, the deeper he'll fink. As for his Reasonings, I must own, they are pritty harmless, and are not like to do much Mischies: and if I mistake not, his Insincerity is by this time to flagrant, that for the future his Calumnies and Califications will need no other Anfrom but that they are his. Till he can produce but one single Priest, that exceeds himself in those insernal Qualities, he will be unworthy of a more. distinct Reply.

⁽i) Pag. 31.

⁽k) Pag. 32.

⁽¹⁾ Pag. 39.

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As for my felf, I sincerely protest, I do not bear him the smallest Grudge. I am indeed personally injured (and so is every Clergyman) when the very Character of a Priest is represented as injumous; as if the Devil entred into a Man by Holy Orders, and he could not retain common Honesty after the Imposition of a Bishop's Hands. But such has been the Conduct of your Friend, that we may safely despise him. The Impotence of his Malice is notorious: and therefore, tho' he is indeed the Object of our Pity; yet 'tis not in his Power to raise our Indignation. We don't esteem him considerable enough to deserve our Anger: But we are passionately grieved at that obstinate Aversion to the Gospel, which has created in

him an irreconcilable Hatred of our Order.

Had he fallen upon none but vicious Priests, and such as act inconsistently with their sacred Obligations; I should most heartily have join'd with him. For no Man hates a bad Priest more perfectly than my self; as some very remarkable Passages of my Life have evinc'd. But is this your Friend's Case? Were not his Zeal directed against Priests as such, he would not have rail'd at Priests without Distin-Etion; but labor'd to reform the Guilty by Correction. He would not have blacken'd the whole Order; but used his Endevors to purge it from such as are a Scandal to it. This, I say, would become a Writer, that had a mind to distinguish between a Priest and bis Vices, and hated the one for the sake of the other. But our Author had a quite contrary Purpose. If Priests are essentially bad, if their Natural Talents are bent upon the most villainous Practices; 'tis cer-

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tain, the High Priest of our Profession, the blessed Founder of the Priestly Order, the Holy Jesus himself, could not be good. And therefore, for the Propagation of Insidelity amongst us, the Devil and his Agents (tho' they can't but know, that the Clergy of the Established Church in particular, are a sufficient Confutation of their Malice) would fain bear the World in hand, that Priests must be therefore Villains, be-

cause they are Priests.

No doubt, every good Priest glories in this Usage, and rewards the Offenders with his Prayers. Were not our Order truly useful, we should not be thus brutishly treated. God be praised, that we are so greatly honor'd, as to suffer for this Cause. When the Captain of our Salvation is ridical'd in Print, and the Credibility of his History is impiously compar'd with that of the Py'd Piper and Sommonocodom; no wonder that his Priests are outrag'd in

the grossest Manner.

I should not deserve the Name of a Christian, much less be worthy of my Priestly Character, were I in any the least pain upon this Account. I thank God, I know whom I have believ'd. I am fully satisfy'd, Christianity will bear the severest Tryal; and as long as Christianity subsists, the Cause of its Priests is secure. Nay, were it not for the sake of those unhappy Souls, that must eternally perish for doing it; should I not be infinitly more griev'd for their inexcusable Sin, than anxious about the Event; How gladly would I see Christianity oppusn'd with the strongest Efforts of Subtilty and Learning? How gladly would I know the very utmost, that Hell it self can object, or invent, to the Prejudice of it?

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For my part, since in these our Days'tis thus rudely attacqu'd by the Legion of Priesthaters; since neither a regard to Decency, nor any other Consideration, can deaden the Virulence of their Tongues and Pens, but the Blessed Jesus, in the midst of a Christian Country, is burlesqu'd with a more sawcy Impudence, than the Turks themselves would endure; since the implacable Enemies of the Gospel are under no Restraint, but vomit Blasphemy in the open Streets: I rejoice, that it was my good Fortune to live in this Age, because it affords me the clearest Conviction of the Truth, by displaying before my Eyes the despicable Vanity of all that has been advanc'd against it. I am sure, its Adversaries have hitherto appear'd Devils, rather in Inclination, than in Skill. Their Performances have betray'd more of the Clown, than of the Scholar. Could nothing more be said for Christianity, than has as yet been said against it; I should be asham'd to believe it. 'Twould really be a Religion sit for none but Fools. Blessed Cause! which nothing can undermine or weaken! The Scepticism and Insidelity of this licentious Time, is a thorough Demonstration of the Certainty of our Religion. How therefore ought we to adore God's Providence for permitting such Riots against his Everlasting Truth? I can't but foresee a blessed Issue of this Libertine Spirit. Christianity will be the more firmly establish'à by the present Struggle. For in His due time, in spite of Insidels, God must and will be glorify'd. And how will the Haters of the Lord gnash and grin for Madness? How will it invenom the Anguish of their Despair and Damnation? when they a 3

they shall be forced to perceive, that the Priests, those invincible Champions of the best Cause, have finish'd their Master's Battels, completed his numberless Victories, and must therefore shine as the Favorite Instruments of the Almighty, for erecting their crucify'd Lord a glorious Throne upon the Spoils of all the Powers of Darkness?

In the mean while, Sir, I earnestly implore your Compassion for your Friend, whose Repentance I pray for with the most ardent Devotion. Let me prevail upon you to imploy your Interest and Authority, in bringing him to a Sense of those detestable Crimes, which will not only ruin his Soul in the next World, but make him scandalous in this; unless he resolves upon, and pursues, such Measures for the future, as may recover his Credit, and incline Mankind to. think him capable of acting honestly, when the Priests are concern'd. This will demonstrate, that you love him sincerely; and indeed I cannot but add, that the Rules of Friendship oblige you to it.

Oh, that you could engage him to examin Things fairly, and to consider the Merits of our Cause impartially! Alas! the whole Manner and Tendency of his Writings yield us too many broad Indications. (I should say, Demonstrations) of a most perverse Disposition, fond of mere Novelty, eager in Singularity, imbitter'd against the Gospel, and against the Priests merely for the Gospel's sake. What this will end in, God only knows. However, I am persuaded, it would become him much better to act ingenuously, and openly to renounce that Faith which he manifestly betes; than by a verbal Profession to seem in some to Anthony Collins, Esq. xxi.

fort a Christian, only that he may the more effectually do Despight to the Spirit of Grace, by stabbing the Cause of God, upon every Occasion, in such a secret and treacherous manner, as a generous Enemy would scorn. But I perceive, the Example of Judas still prevails. There are those now in the World, who pretend themselves the Disciples of Christ, only that they may the more conveniently betray him. God grant, that tho' they imitate the Practice of Judas, they may repent in due time, and escape that Curse which Judas inherits. What a Terror should those Words of the blessed Jesus strike into your Friend, Wo unto that Man by whom the Son of Man is betray'd: it had been good for that Man, if he had not been born, Matt. 26. 24!

May that God, who desireth not the Death of a Sinner, soften the Heart of this unhappy Gentleman, and cause him to perceive his own Danger, before it be too late to avoid it. May your Endevors, Sir, be earnest and successful; and may there be Joy in Heaven and Earth at his Conversion. I speak it from the bottom of my Soul, this is the worst thing I wish him; and while I have the Bowels of a Christian remaining in me, 'tis what I shall incessantly beg of

the Father of Mercies.

Without a Complement to you, I have observed in your Conversation such a Readiness of good Expression, and such a Fluency of proper Language; that I am consident, you could not want a sutable manager of Address, were you to plead with another Man upon this sad Occasion. My only Fear is, that your Concern for a Friend, and the Regard you will natu-

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rally shew him upon the Account of that endearing Relation, will fetter your Tongue, and enervate that Zeal, which otherwise could not fail of great Success. I need n t suggest to you, that much I enderness is in Such Cases merciles Cruelty. I am indeed exceedingly desirous, that your Application may be made to him in as soft a manner, as the Nature and Circumstances of his Malady will permit: But there is a Necessity of Some rough Work, when one has to deal with a Sinner that appears harden'd. A Man must exert his Strength, as well as Skill, that undertakes the Cure of a fear'd Conscience. I flatter my self however, that you will neither decline the Service you owe him, nor suffer your Heart and Hands to fail in the Operation. God grant, that you may bring him to a clear sight, and a perfect loathing, of his Evil Courses.

When this is in any Measure effected, I dare say, you will agree with me, that a Ketractation of his scurrilous Ribaldry is absolutly necessary. Whether Men are oblig'd publicly to acknowledge whatever Errors they have openly espous'd, when they become sensible of them, I will not at present dispute. I might perhaps be thought too severe a Casuist, should I state and determinthat Point. But when Men have publish'd such falshoods in Fact, and such monstrous Calumnies, as tend to the manifest Prejudice of God's Truth, and to the Reproach and Mischief of others; certainly their Hearts and Foreheads must be thoroughly harden'd, if they do not endevor to repair the Injuries they have been guilty of, in the most effectual Manner. And how this can be perform'd without a Retracta-

rion, I must confess, is past my Understanding.

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to Anthony Collins, Esq. xxiii.

I can't but think, that every Gentleman, even tho' he were no Christian, will grant me thus much; and I hope, I have so much Knowledge of your self, that I may venture to affirm, that these are your Sentiments. Let me befeech you therefore to bring your Friend, if possible, to a sutable Practice. Deal plainly with him. Suppose that any Priest had written a Book equally full of the most shameless Untruths, and the bitterest Slanders; ask him seriously, and put it home to his Conscience, Whether he would not esteem that Priest an arrant Knave, if he did not, after due Conviction, openly repent of his Wicked-ness, and testify the Sincerity of his Amendment by humbling himself before God and Man. And if common Honesty (setting aside Revel'd Religion) would oblige a Priest to act thus by others; does not the same common Honesty oblige your Friend to act thus by the Priests? Whatever Notions he has of Christianity, and how much soever he may malion the Priests for being the Supporters of it: yet surely the Consideration of their being Priests, does not cancel the Bonds of Natural Justice towards them, and render them unworthy of that Equity, which even Cannibals may demand from all that wear the Shape of Men.

Whether your Friend can be wrought up to this degree of Integrity, the Event will determin. I confess, his not appearing at all mortify'd by what Mr. Bedford has written against him so many Years since, staggers those Hopes which I would fain conceive of him. You are certainly able to rouse his Conscience, by setting his Sins in order before

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before him, the best of any Person I know. And therefore I have been embolden'd to make you this Public Address, your Compliance with which (by God's Blessing) I hope you will never see Cause to

repent of.

As for the Papers which accompany this Letter, I need say little of them. They contain the Result of some Inquiries, to which I was led by mere Chance. I was of Opinion, that the Matters discoursed of in them, wanted and deserved to be cleared; and therefore I doubt not but I have pleased God, because I have endevored to be serviceable to his Church, in the doing of it.

If any Person should imagin, that I have bestow'd too much Pains on some Parts of them; 'tis sufficient, that I think otherwise. For since the Labor is my own; I have certainly a Right to be as liberal of it as I please, and to proportion it according to my own

Judgment.

If it should be thought, that such a minute Exactness in the Collation was needless; I answer, that I soon saw a Necessity of making such a Collation (the Reasons I need not mention) tho' I did not then certainly know, whether I should be oblig'd to use, and to argue from, the seeming Trisles that are in it. But I can now say, that very many of those seeming Trisles, prove to be Matters of Importance (the Perusal of the 23d and 24th Chapters, not to point at others, will abundantly evince this) and I could not conveniently separate them from such as do not yet appear, tho' perhaps they may hereafter, to be of real Consequence. However, those that seem

at present of no Moment, are but a very moderate. Addition to those, which could not possibly have been omitted without injuring my Design; and since I did not grudge the Pains of collecting them all, I hope no Man will grudge the Paper, which a part of

them fils.

Tou will observe, Sir, that I have not alleged Mr. Selden's Testimony for the Genuiness of the Controverted Clause, preserv'd to us by the Collector of his Table Talk, in the Article Church. I have indeed rejected the Authority of that Collector in another Case, mention'd Ch. 32. p. 410. and accordingly I have not urged it in this. Tho' I must own, I can't but think this Testimony sufficient to have turn'd the Scale, had we not better Evidence. For tho' that Collector blunders egregiously, when he reports Matters beyond his Depth; yet in Matters of a different Nature, I can't but believe he speaks the Truth. For I am persuaded (and I believe, you are so too) that he was equally ignorant and honest.

'Twas needless to mention Dr. Heylyn's repeated Attestations of the Genuiness of this Clause, in his Book on the Creed, p. 400. and his Cyprianus Anglic. p. 18, 19. because what I have quoted from his other Writings, Chap. 7. is abundantly

sufficient.

If your Friend should suspect my Veracity, upon which so much of my Book depends; I hope, he will do me the Justice to demand a sight of my Vouchers, whether Printed or Manuscript. The Principal of of them (particularly the remarkable Copy E, for the Use of which I do hereby return my humblest Thanks

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to the Right Reverend and Right Honorable Nathaniel Lord Crew, Bishop of Durham) are at present, and will continue for a Month or six Weeks (for I presume, my Business will detain me here so long) at my Lodgings in this Place, or else at a small Distance from them. You, Sir, have seen many of them already: but I shall always esteem and acknowlege my self oblig'd to you for accepting another Sight of any thing I can shew you; or for inducing such, as may possibly desire Satisfaction, to do me the Favor of receiving it from me, whilst 'tis in my Power to give it.

I shall only add, that I did my self Collate every one of the Copies, both Printed and Manuscript, except those which I call Bod. 1. and Bod. 2. for the Collation of which, as also for many other kind. Offices, I am bound to thank my very worthy Friend. Tho. Hearne, Esq. Law Beadle of the University

of Oxford.

I am, with that Sincerity which becomes my Sacred Character,

SIR,

Your most Obedient, and

CHELSEA,
April 20. 1715.

Most Humble Servant, in all Christian Offices,

THO. BENNET.

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Shall prepare the Way for my intended Essay, by exhibiting a Collation of all the ancient Copies of the Articles, both Printed and Ma-

nuscript.

Now there are two MS. Copies of the Articles, the one in Latin, the other in English, which were both given, with a vast Quantity of other MSS. to Corpus Christi (commonly call'd Bennet) College in Cambridge, by Archbishop Parker. The Latin Copy was signed Jan. 29. 1562. and the English Copy was signed May 11. 1571. Each of these Copies is denoted in the following Collation by the Letters MS. But the Distinction is apparent notwithstanding. For when the Reference belongs to the Latin Text, the Letters MS. betoken the Latin Copy; but when the Reference belongs to the English Text, those Letters betoken the English one.

The Printed Copies are numerous. They are

partly Latin, and partly English.

One Latin Copy is printed in Octavo by Reginald Wolf. It contains 36 Pages (reckoning the Title, and the Blank on the back fide of it, for two) but the Pages are not numbred. It bears Date 1563. In the Title Page there is a Fruit Tree describ'd in a fort of a Target, under which are two Boys; the one seems climbing, the other gathers the Fruit sallen to the Ground; and between the Limbs of the Tree there is a Label with Charitas in it. The Articles are printed in Roman, but the Titles in B

Italic. This in the following Collation is denoted by the Letter W.

Another Latin Copy is printed in Quarto by John Day, and contains 24 numbred Pages; of which the Title Page, and the Blank on the back fide of it, are two. It bears Date 1571. The Title Page is inclosed with such an oblong rectangular Compartiment or Garniture, as is much more sutable to an Octavo than a Quarto Book. The Titles of the several Articles are printed in Roman; but the Articles themselves in Italic. The Latin Text in the following Collation expresses this Edition.

But then there are in the Bodleyan Library two Latin Copies of Wolf's Edition, which are corrected with a Pen; and I shall accordingly exhibit

the Variations made by those Corrections.

The first has a Parchment Roll fastened to it, containing the Names of above an hundred Persons, viz. those who compos'd the Lower House of Convocation in 1571, with Dr. John Elmer (then Prolocutor) at the Head of them. This Copy is

call'd Bod. I. in the following Collation.

The fecond is in diverse Places corrected and marked, and the Letters MS. are sometimes added; which imports, that 'twas in diverse (probably in all those) Places corrected by a MS. Now this Copy was bound, after it came into the Bodleyan Library; and the Binder has cut off part of the Marginal Notes; probably, because he was not caution'd against it, and was not aware, that they might be of Consequence. In the following Collation this Copy is call'd Bod. 2.

The printed English Copies are no less than Fourteen. They are partly in Octavo, and partly in Quarto: but all of them are printed in black Letter, except in the Titles of the Articles, &c.

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Of the Octavo Copies, the first contains 36 Pages (not numbred) two of which are the Title, and the Blank on the back fide of it. The fecond contains 22 Pages, which (as in the former) are not numbred, and two of them are the Title and the blank Leaf behind it. The Title of each of these Editions is included within the same oblong rechangular Picture, in the middle of the upper part of which there is an Oval describ'd lengthwise, with a Cypher containing the Letters of the Name of Richard Jugge. These Editions bear no Date of the Impression: but 'tis reasonably concluded, that they were both publish'd before 1571; 1. Because the Title of the Twenty first Homily of the Second Tome, which was occasion'd by the Northern Rebellion in 1569, is not added to the Thirty fifth Article, as 'tis in all the Editions I have feen, whether in Latin or English, that were printed in or after the Year 1571. 2. Because they agree with each other (except some trifling Differences) whereas they vary confiderably from all the Editions both Latin and English, that were printed in or after the Year 1571. The first of these Editions is in the following Collation denoted by the Letter A, the fecond by the Letter B.

I must add, that the I call the foregoing two Editions by the Names of the first and second; yet I do by no means presume to say, that the one preceded the other in the time of Publication. Tis not probable, that they came out both together; but which came out first, I know not. However, I was obliged for Order's sake to distinguish them by those Appellations, which whether they are rightly placed, its perhaps impossible

to determin.

Of the Quarto Copies there are no less than eight, which were certainly printed in the Year 1571. Four of these have, and four of them have not, the controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article.

Those four which have the controverted Clause, are printed by Jugge and Cawood; and do each of them contain 25 numbred Pages; of which the Title Page, and the Blank on the back side of it, are two. After those 25 Pages there are two others not numbred, containing the Table, the Printers Names, the Date, &c. On the back fide of the last of those two Pages, there is the Picture of a Pelican feeding her young Ones with her Bloud, inclofed in an Oval, which Oval has a double Verge and Inscription, the inner being pro lege Rege & grege, the outer being Love Kepyth the Lawe, obeyeth the Kynge, and is good to the Commen Welthe; with a Cypher under the Oval, containing the Letters of Richard Jugge's Name, with Devices, &c. The Title of the first, third, and fourth of these Copies, is in the middle of an oblong rectangular Picture, in the middle of the upper part of which there is a Circle with the Cypher of Richard Jugge. The Title of the fecond is inclosed with an oblong rectangular Compartiment or Garniture, made up of four Wooden Cuts, and in the middle of the bottom Cut. there is a circular Figure, with R. 7. in the Centre, and these Words, Omnia desuper, describ'd in the Verge, between a fingle Line on the inner side, and a double Line on the outer. In the following Collation the English Text expresses the first of these Copies, the second is denoted by the Letter C, the third by D, the fourth by E.

Those four Copies of the Year 1571, which have not the Controverted Clause, are also printed by

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Jugge and Cawood; and contain each of them in like manner 25 numbred Pages, of which the Title Page, and the Blank on the back fide of it, are two. They have also the same Pictures in the Title, and at the end, with the first, third, and sourth of those which have the Controverted Clause. In the following Collation the first is denoted by the Letter G, the second by H, the third by I, and the fourth by K.

Here again I must remind the Reader, that tho' I was forc'd to range these Copies into several Sorts, and of each Sort to number a first, second, third and fourth; yet I do not thereby mean, and I desire I may not be understood to say, that they are all of different Editions, much less that they were publish'd precisely in that Order. Only I was oblig'd to distinguish them, and I knew no better

manner of doing it.

But there is another Copy in Quarto, printed by Jugge; for Cawood (I presume) was then either dead, or parted from Jugge. The Title of this Copy is inclos'd with the same Compartiment, which that Copy has, which I have nam'd C. Only with this Difference, that that Cut which is on the right Hand in Co is on the Top in this; and that Cut which is on the Top of C, is on the right Hand in this. This Copy contains 21 Pages; of which the Title, and the Blank on the Back fide. are two. After those 21 Pages there is one Page containing a Table, and then a Leaf with a Picture of a Pelican, &c. as in several others before. It bears no Date of the Impression: but since 'tis not Dated after the Year 1571, I was willing to add it; because 'tis certainly very ancient, and 'tis possible (tho' I think not probable) that it might have been printed in that Year. I may add, tho' I confess it weighs little or nothing, that in the Title of that B 2 · Copy

Copy which I used, some Person had written under the Words Cum Privilegio, the Figures 1571. This Copy is denoted by the Letter L in the following Collation.

As for those Editions which where certainly printed after the Year 1571, Ildo not think 'em worth our Notice at present. For no Alteration has been made in the Text, whether Latin or English, by any fort of Authority since that Year. However, there is one other Impression of a much later Date, which I was resolved to exhibit the Collation of, for a Reason which will in due time appear. Twas printed in 1628, and contains 20 Pages, not numbred, in the last of which twenty Pages is the Ratification, and Part of the Table, the rest of it being contained in the next Page. His Majesties Declaration is presix'd, containing six numbred Pages. The Title Page has the King's Arms, with proper Supporters, and the Motto Dieu mon Droit. This Edition is denoted by the Letter F.

As for the Collation it felf, the Method I intend is this. I shall exhibit the Latin and English Texts in opposite Pages. I shall first give the general Titles, and then the several Articles in their Order, with their respective particular Titles, and afterwards the Tables. &c. I shall note the smallest Variations of the Copies, even manifest Mistakes of the Press, and the Differences in Spelling and Pointing. Only I must advertise the Reader, I. That I do not pretend to exhibit the Running Titles, the Directions, or Signatures; nor shall I oblige my felf to use Capital or Small Letters according to the Copies I follow; or to use the I or U Vowel or Consonant precisely as they do: but I shall follow the present Mode of Printing; tho' every Letter I shall set down, is found in the Original in one Form or other. 2. That whereas

whereas in the Editions before the Year 1571, viz. that of Wolf, and the two Octavo English ones, the Articles are not numbred at all; and in all the Editions in and after that Year, they are numbred, and numeral Figures are accordingly placed in the Margin : I shall only give the Number of each Article in Words at length at the beginning of it, and not oblige my felf to inform the Reader, whether the numeral Figure be rightly printed, whether it be plac'd on the right or left fide of the Page, or whether it has a full Point after it, or no. 3. That whereas the Articles are numbred in both the MSS. in Bennet College Library; but in that of the Year 1571 they are numbred very falfly, whereas in that of the Year 1562 they are numbred truly: I shall in the following Collation take no Notice of the Numbers of the MS. of 1562, except in the Thirty fifth Arricle, where the Number is differently plac'd; but shall constantly observe, how each Article is numbred in the MS. of 1571, whenfoever the Number differs from that which is express'd in the other numbred Editions. 4. That in the MSS. especially the English one, there are very many Abbreviatures and other Marks, some of which may stand for different Letters; particularly in the English MS, the same Mark manifestly denotes sometimes e, sometimes s, and sometimes es. 'Twas impossible for me constantly to determin, what particular Letters the Writer meant by a Mark or Abbreviature; but I have endevor'd to come as near his Spellings as I could. And therefore, if another Man should guess, that one Letter more, or one Letter less, might sometimes be intended; I hope, I shall not be charg'd with Misrepresentation. 5. That in the MSS. there is sometimes an oblique Dash of a Pen at the end of a Paragraph, or the like, sometimes times with, and sometimes without a Point; which Dashes could not, and need not, be expressed in the Collation: and therefore I have contented my felf with observing when there are Points, without observing when there are such Dashes, even tho' they seem design'd to supply the use of Points.

I have already given an Account of the Copies I use, &c. However, for the Reader's Ease, I shall

subjoin the following Table.

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and is	p. s.) which is	440	
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	5.) which is		
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	1571 (see p. 5.) which is	- 1	
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Upon the whole, no less than eighteen Copies, printed or MS. are exhibited and compared with great Care and Fidelity. However, 'tis possible I may have been guilty of some Mistakes; especially considering that such Work is utterly disagreeable to my Inclination, and that the far greater Number of Variations are mere Trisses. I am therefore heartily unwilling, that any Person should intirely rely upon my Exactness. At least, I heartily wish, it may be strengthened and confirmed by the Curiosity of those, who have Patience enough to examin and prove it. To incourage such Persons, I will inform them, where these Copies may be found.

I have already observ'd, that the two MS. Copies are in Bennet College Library in Cambridge; and that the two corrected Copies, which are also to be considered as MSS. are in the Bodleyan Library

at Oxford.

Now there are fourteen several Copies besides: of which no less than ten (a very great Number, confidering the extraordinary Rarity of fuch Papers) are in the vast and noble Library of St. Fohn's College in Cambridge, of which I had the Honor to be for some Years Fellow, viz. Wolf's and Day's Latin ones, and those which are denoted by the Letters A, B, C, D, F, G, I, K. That Society had long been furnish'd with Day's Latin Edition, and those which I call A, F, and G; and the respective Proprietors most readily consented (I heartily thank them) to lodge fix others in the same place, viz. Wolf's Edition, and those which I call B, C, D, I, and K. The Reverend Dr. Thomas Tanner, Chancellor of Norwich, gave Wolf's Edition. Anthony Collins, Esq; of Lincoln's Inn, gave the Copy B. The Reverend Mr. Christopher Anstey, Fellow of St. John's, gave the Copy C. The Reverend Dr. Thomas Wyatt, Canon Canon Residentiary of Sarum, gave the Copy D. The Reverend Mr. William Needham, Rector of Alresford in Hampshire, gave the Copy I. And Charles Lord Bishop of Norwich gave the Copy K.

The Copy L is in the public Library of the

University of Cambridge.

The Copy E is in that Library, which was erected at Durham by Bishop Cosin, and is commonly

call'd the Bishop's Library.

So that thirteen of the eighteen Copies may be feen as it were at one View; and no less than fixteen of them are actually lodg'd in such public Places, as may be repair'd to by Posterity.

There are two more in private Hands; nor can I fay, where they will be afterwards lodg'd. But I am persuaded, Gilbert Lord Bishop of Sarum, who lent me that Copy, which the English Text expresses, and Thomas Rawlinson, Esq; of the Inner Temple, who lent me H, will be as ready to oblige others with the Use of those Curiosities, as I have always found them ready to surnish me, in the kindest manner, with whatsoever I have desir'd of them.

Here follows the Collation.

[1] AR-

[I] ARTICULI,

de quibus convenit inter Archiepiscopos, & episcopos utriusque provincia, & clerum universum in synodo, Londini. An. Dom. 1562. secundum computationem ecclesiæ Anglicanæ, ad tollendam opinionum dissentionem, & consensum in vera religione firmandum.

Æditi authoritate nud, a V Serenissimæ Reginæ. -Current to the

Londini, prio nea : apud Johannem Dayum 18 / Typographum. e in Miller to the confidence of

An. Domini.

[1] The Title in MS. runs thus, | nionum dissensionem, & firman-Articuli de quibus in Synodo Londinensi Anno Domini 1562 ad tollendam opinionum dissensionem & consensum in vera religione firmandum inter episcopos convenit.

The Title of Wolf's Edition runs thus, Articuli, de qui-bus in Synodo Londinensi anno Domini, juxta ecclesiæ Anglicanæ computationem, M.D.LXII, ad tollendam opi-

dum in vera religione confenfum, inter Archiepiscopos Episcoposque utrinsque provinciæ. nec non etiam universum Clerum convenit.

> Regia authoritate in Lucem editi.

Londini, Anno Domini M.D.LXIII.

ARTICLES [2] agreed [3] on by the [4] Archbyshoppes [5] and [6] Byshoppes of both [7] provinces [8] and the Whole [9] Cleargie [10], in the convocation holden at London [11] in the [12] yere [13] of our [14] Lorde God [15]. [16] 1562 [17]. [18] for [19] the [20] avoydyng of [21] Diversities of opinions, and for the [22] stablishing of [23] consent [24] touching true religion. [25] Put foorth by the [26] Queenes auchoritie. [27]

[1] Here beginneth the first Page in MS. And note, that on the upper Part of the inner Margin of the said first Page are these Words written in large Letters, Viz.

printed in Lattin and English.

[2] full Point A.
Comma B.

read whereupon it was agreed by MS. A. B. C. D. G. H. I. K. only in MS. read wheruppon.

[3] upon F.

[4] Archbusshoppes MS.
Archbishoppes B. D. G.

H. I. K.

Archbishops F. L. Archbyshops A. C.

[5] Comma A. B.

[6] Bufshoppes MS.
Bishops A. B. C. F.
Bishoppes D. G. H. I. K.
Byshops L.

[7] insert the MS. A. B. [8] Comma MS. A. B. F. L.

[9] Clergie MS. Clergye A.

[10] no Comma MS.

[11] Comma B. F.

[12] yeere F. L. [13] omit of our Lorde God F.

[14] Lord A. B.

[15] no full Point MS. [16] M.D.LXII. A. B.

[17] no full Point MS.

[18] infert according to the Computation of the Churche of Englande, MS. A. B. C. D. G. H. I. K. L. only in A. and C. read accordyng, and in A. read England, and in MS. B. and L. read Church.

[19] thavoydyng A.

[20] avoiding MS. D. F. G. H. I. K.

[21] the A. B. C. D. G. H.

I. K. L.

[22] stablishing MS. F. stablyshyng A. B. establyshyng L.

[23] consente MS.

[24] Comma B. touchinge MS. touchyng A.

[25] This is omitted in MS. Here is no Break A.

Instead of this in F. read as follows, Reprinted by his Majesties commandement: with his Royal Declaration prefixed thereunto. Then follow the King's Arms; and afterwards these Words, London, printed by Bonham Norton, and John Bill, printers to the Kings most excellent Majestie. M.DC.XXVIII.

The aforesaid Declaration, as being well known, and not to my present Purpose, I shall omit.

[26] Quenes A.

[27] Here add Cum privile-

ARTICULUS PRIMUS.

[1] De Fide in Sacrosanctam Trinitatem [2].

NUS est vivus [3], & verus Deus [4], [5] æternus, incorporeus, impartibilis, impassibilis, [6] immensæ [7] potentiæ, [8] sapientiæ [9], ac bonitatis [10], creator [11], & conservator omnium [12], tum visibilium [13], tum invisibilium [14]. [15] Et in unitate hujus [16] divinæ [17] naturæ [18], tres sunt [19] personæ, ejusdem [20] essen-: tiæ, [21] potentiæ [22] ac [23] æternitatis, pater, filius, & spiritus sanctus.

[1] Note, that in MS. this and three other Articles continue and make up that Page, in which the Title is written; and accordingly the Title begins the first Page of MS.

Here begins p. 3. of that Edition which the Text expresses.

Here begins the third Page (reckoning the Title, and the Blank on the Backfide of it for the two first) of W.

[2] no Point MS.

[3] no Comma MS. W.

[4] this Comma is struck out in Bod. 2.

[5] eternus MS. [6] immense MS. [7] potentie MS.

[8] Sapientie MS.

9 no Comma W. [10] Colon W.

ii] no Comma MS. W.

12] no Comma MS. W.

[13] no Comma MS. W.

[14] Comma MS.

[15] these words are so marked, as if they were to begin a distinct Section, Bod. 2.

[16] divine MS.

[17] nature MS.

[18] no Comma W. [19] persone MS.

20 essentie MS.

[21] potentie MS [22] Comma MS. W.

[23] eternitatis MS.

The FIRST ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Fayth in the [3] Holy [4] Trinitie.

THERE is but one [5] lyvyng and true God, [6] euerlastyng [7], [8] without [9] body, [10] partes [11], or passions [12], of Infinite power, [13] wysdome [14], and [15] goodnesse, the maker and preserver of [16] al [17] things [18] both visible and invisible. And in [19] unitie of this Godhead [20] there be [21] three Persons [22], of one [23] Substaunce, power [24], and [25] eternitie [26], the father, the Sonne [27], and the [28] holy [29] ghost [30].

[1] Here beginneth the Third Page of that Copy which this Text expresses, as also of A. B. C. D. E. G. H. I. K.

Here beginneth the First Page of F.

[2] Faith MS. B. F. G. K. [3] holye MS.

holie B.
[4] Trinitye MS.
[5] livinge MS.

[5] livinge MS. living A. F. lyving H. L

[6] infert and he is MS. A.B. everlasting MS. B. F.

[7] no Comma MS.

[8] withoute MS.
[9] bodie MS.
bodye A. H. I.

[10] parts MS. F.

[11] no Comma MS.

[12] Semicolon F.

[13] Wisdome A. B. Wisedome MS. F. I. Wysedome H.

[14] no Comma MS. B.

[15] goodnes MS. A. B. [16] all MS. A. B. F.

[17] thynges A. B. I. thyngs H.

[18] Comma B. [19] unity F.

[20] Comma I. L.

21] thre MS.

[22] no Comma L. [23] fubstance MS. F. L.

[24] no Comma A. [25] eternitye MS.

eternity F.
[26] Semicolon F.

[27] no Comma A.

[28] holie MS.

[29] Ghoste MS.

[30] no Point E.

ARTICULUS SECUNDUS.

[1] De Verbo, sive Filio Dei, qui verus Homo factus est.

Filius, qui est Verbum patris, ab [2] æterno [3] à patre genitus, verus [4] & [5] æternus Deus, ac patri consubstantialis, in utero [6] beatæ Virginis [7], ex il [8] lius Substantia [9] naturam humanam assumpsit [10]: ita ut [11] duæ [12] Naturæ, [13] divina & humana [14], integre atque persecte [15] in unitate [16] personæ [17] suerint inseparabiliter [18] conjuncta [19], ex quibus [20] eft

[1] The Title runs thus, Verbum dei verum hominem esse factum. MS: W. only in MS. there is a Comma after dei, and after factum.

[2] eterno MS.

[3] Comma MS. [4] Comma MS.

[5] eternus MS.

[6] beate MS.

[7] no Comma W.

[8] p. 4. W.

[9] Comma MS.

[10] Comma MS.

[11] due MS.

12 nature MS.

13 here is a Parenthefis after the Comma MS.

[14] here is a Parenthesis instead of the Comma MS.

[15] Comma MS.

[16] persone MS.

[17] Comma W. [18] conjuncte MS.

19 Colon W.

[20] et instead of est MS.

The SECOND ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] Worde or Sonne of God [3] which was made [4] very Man.

THE Sonne [5], [6] which is the [7] worde of the father, begotten from [8] everlastyng of the father, the [9] very and eternall God, of one [10] Substaunce with the father, [11] toke mans nature [12] in the wombe of the [13] blessed Virgin [14], of [15] her [16] Substaunce [17]: so that two whole and [18] perfect natures, that is to [19] say [20] the Godhead [21] and [22] manhood [23], [24] were joyned [25] together in one [26] person [27], [28] never to be [29] divided,

[1] read That the MS. A. B.

[2] Word A. F.

[3] full Point MS. Comma I. L.

whiche I. L. omit which A. R. MS.

[4] verie MS.

[5] no Comma MS. I.

[6] whiche I. L. [7] word A. F. woorde L.

[8] everlasting MS. F.

[9] verie MS.

[10] fubstance MS. F. [11] tooke MS. F. H. I. L.

[12] Here beginned to the fourth Page of that Copy which this Text expressed, as also of A. C. D. E. G. H. I. K. [13] blessid MS.

[14] no Comma MS. A:

[15] here beginneth Page 4. B. [16] fubstance MS. F. L.

[10] full Point MS. A.

[18] perfecte MS. L.

[19] faye A. faie MS.

[20] Comma MS. A. B. F. G. H. I. K. L.

[21] Comma MS.

[22] Manhod A. B.

[23] no Comma MS. A. B.

[24] weare MS.

[25] togeather L. [26] personne MS.

[20] perionne MS.

[28] here beginneth p. 2. F.

unus Christus, verus Deus [21], & verus homo [22]. qui vere passus est, cruci[23] sixus, mortuus, & sepultus, ut patrem nobis reconciliaret, essetque [24] hostia [25], non tantum pro culpa originis, [26] verumetiam pro omnibus actualibus hominum peccatis. [27]

[21] no Comma MS. W.

[22] Colon W.

[23] p. 4.

[24] omit hostia, W. but this Mistake of the Press is corrected at the end of W, as this Collation will hew. The Word hostia is here added with a Pen in Bod. 1. but this Correction (as also another in the 25th Article) (eems to have been made with paler Ink, and in a different Hand from the rest, which are all in the same Hand gain. Bod. I.

and with the same Ink. The word hostia is also here added with a Pen in Bod. 2. with this Note ---ic etiam --- rigitur, for fic etiam corrigitur, referring to the printed Erratum at the End of

[25] no Comma MS.

[26] verum etiam W. [27] the Word Sacrificium is

here added, but a Line is drawn thro' it, so that 'tis struck out a-

ARTICULUS TERTIUS.

De Descensu Christi ad inferos.

Uemadmodum Christus pro nobis mortuus est [2], & sepultus, ita est etiam credendus ad inferos descendisse [3].

[1] Quemmadmodum W.

[2] no Comma W.

low these Words (but struck through | inferno, detinebantur, fuit, ilwith a red Led Pencil) viz. Nam lifque predicavit, quemadmocorpus usque ad resurrectio- | dum testatur Petri locus.

nem in sepulchro jacuit, spiritus ab illo emiffus, cum spi-[3] Comma MS. and then fol- ritubus qui in carcere five in [30] whereof is one [31] Christe, [32] very God [33] and [34] very man, [35] who [36] truely [37] suffered, was crucified, dead [38], and [39] buried [40], to [41] reconcile his father to us [42], and to be a facrifice [43], not [44] only for [45] original [46] gylt, but also for [47] all actuall sinnes of men.

it innes of men.	
[30] wherof MS.	[42] full Point MS.
[31] Christ F. H. I.	[43] no Comma MS.
[32] verie MS.	The Article ends thus, for
[33] Comma A. B.	all Synne, both Originall and
[34] verie MS.	actuall. A. B.
[35] whoe MS.	[44] onelie MS.
[36] truly A.	onely F. G. H. I. K. L.
truelie MS.	[45] original F.
[37] fuffred A. MS.	[46] gilte MS.
[38] no Comma MS. B.	gylte I. L.
[39] buryed A. B. I. L.	guilt F.
[40] no Comma MS.	[47] al L.
F . 7	

The THIRD ARTICLE.

[41] reconcyle A.

[1] Of the [2] goyng downe of [3] Christe into [4] Hell.

A S [5] Christe [6] dyed [7] for us [8], and was [9] buryed [10]: so also [11] it is to be [12] beleved that he [13] went downe into hell.

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[1] here beginneth p. 2. MS.
                                  [6] died MS. F.
    p. 4. L.
                                  7] omit for us, A. B.
[2] going MS. F.
                                 [8] no Comma MS. *
[3] Chryst A.
                                 [9] buried MS. F. G. K.
   Christ F. I. L.
                                 [10] insert for us A. B.
4 hel B. L.
                                 [11] read is it F.
[5] Christ L.
                                 [12] beleeved F. L.
    Chryst A.
                                 [13] wente MS.
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ARTICULUS QUARTUS.

[1] De Resurrectione Christi.

Hristus vere a mortuis resurrexit, suumque corpus cum carne, ossibus, omnibusque ad integritatem [2] hu[3]manæ [4] Naturæ pertinentibus, recepit [5]: cum quibus in [6] cœlum ascendit, ibique residet, quoad [7], extremo die [8], ad judicandos homines reversurus sit.

[1] Refurrectio MS. W.

[2] humane MS.

[3] p. 5 W.
[4] nature MS.

[5] Comma MS. W.

[6] celum MS.

[7] no Comma MS. W. [8] no Comma W.

The FOURTH ARTICLE.

Of the Resurrection of [1] Christe [2].

[3] CHriste [4] dyd [5] truely [6] aryse [7] agyne from death, and [8] toke [9] agayne his [10] body [11], with [12] stesh, bones [13], and all [14] thinges [15] apparteyning to the perfection of mans nature, [16] wherewith he [17] ascended into heaven, and there [18] streth, [19] untyll [20] he [21] returne to judge [22] all men at the last [23] day.

- [1] Chryst A. Christ F. G. K. L:
- [2] no Point MS.
- Christ F. H. I. L. [4] did MS. F. H. I.
- [5] truelie MS.
- [6] arise MS. H. ryse A. B. rise F.
- [7] againe MS. F.
- [8] tooke F. L.
- [9] againe MS. F. [10] p. 5. A.
- bodye MS. A.
- [12] fleshe A. B. H. I.
- [13] no Comma MS.

- [14] thynges A. B. things MS. F.
- [15] apperteynyng A. apperteining MS. B. apparteyning G. K. apparteynyng L. appertaining F.
- [16] wherwith MS. A. B. L.
- [17] assended L.
- [18] fytteth A. L. [19] untill MS. F.
 - untyl H. I. until L.
- [20] hee F.
- [21] retorne MS.
- [22] al B. H. I. L.
- [23] daye MS.

ARTICULUS QUINTUS.

[1] De Spiritu Sancto.

S'Piritus Sanctus [2] a patre [3], & filio [4] procedens, ejusdem est cum patre [5], & filio [6] essentia, majestatis, & [7] gloria, verus, ac [8] aternus [9], Deus.

[1] p. 2. MS.

[2] Comma W.

[3] no Comma W. [4] Comma MS.

[5] no Comma MS. W.

[6] essentie MS.

[7] glorie MS.

[8] eternus MS.

ARTICULUS SEXTUS.

[1] De Divinis Scripturis, quod sufficiant ad salutem.

S Criptura Sacra continet omnia [2], [3] quæ [4] ad falutem funt neceffaria, ita [5], ut quicquid

[1] p. s.

The Title runs thus, Divine Scripture doctrina sufficit ad falutem. MS.

ad falutem. MS.

Divinæ Scripturæ doErina, fufficit ad falutem. W.

[2] no Comma W.

[3] que MS.
[4] funt ad falutem necessaa. W.

[5] no Comma MS. W.

The FIFTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] holy [3] Ghost.

"HE [4] holy [5] ghost [6], [7] proceedyng from the father and the Sonne, is of one [8] substaunce, majestie [9], and [10] glorie [11]. with the father and the sonne [12], [13] very and eternall God.

[1] p. 5. B. This Article has no distinct Number affix'd to it. MS.

- [2] holye MS. [3] Ghoste MS.
 - [4] holie MS. [5] Ghoste MS.
 - [6] no Comma MS. A. [7] proceading A. proceadyng B.

proceding MS. proceeding F.

[8] read essence, majestie,

Substance MS. F.

9 no Comma F. Tol glory A. B. F. H. I. L.

[11] no Comma B. [12] no Comma MS.

[13] verie MS. L.

The SIXTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the Sufficiencie of the Holy Scriptures for Salvation.

[2] HOlye Scripture [3] conteyneth [4] all [5] thinges [6] necessarie to Salvation: fo

Text expresses, as also of C. D. E. G. H. I. K.

This Article has the Number 5, affixed to it. MS.

The Title stands thus, The Doctrine of holye Scripture, is fufficient to Salvation, MS. A. B. only in MS. and B. read holy; and in MS. put a full Point after

[1] p. 5. of the Copy which this | Scripture, and put no Point after Salvation.

[2] holy A. B. F. I. L.

[3] Comma B. conteineth B. containeth F.

[4] al A.

[5] thynges A. B. G. I.K. L. things MS. F.

[6] necessary A. B. F.

C 4

in ea nec legitur, neque inde probari potest, non sit a quoquam exigendum, ut tanquam articulus sidei credatur, aut ad [6] salutis necessitatem requiri

putetur.

[7] Sacræ [8] Scripturæ nomine [9], eos Canonicos libros veteris [10], & novi Testamenti intelligimus, de quorum [11] authoritate [12], in Ecclefia nunquam dubitatum est.

[6] necessitatem salutis W.

[7] Sacre MS. [8] Scripture MS.

[9] no Comma W. [10] no Comma MŞ. W. [11] p. 6. W.
auctoritate MS.
autoritate W.
[12] no Comma MS. W.

that [7] what soever is not [8] read [9] therein, nor [10] may [11] be [12] proved [13] therby, is not to [14] be required of [15] anye [16] man, that it [17] shoulde [18] be [19] beleved as [20] an article of the [21] fayth, or [22] be thought re [23] quisite [24] necessarie to Salvation [25].

[26] In the name of [27] holy Scripture [28], [29] we [30] do [31] understande those Canonicall bookes of the [32] olde and [33] newe [34] Testament [35], of whose [36] aucthoritie [37] was ne-

ver [38] any [39] doubt in the [40] Churche.

[7] what so ever L.

- [8] reade MS.

- 19] therin MS. A. B.
- [10] maye A.
- [13] prooyed F. [13] therbie MS.

thereby A. F. I. L.

[14] bee F.

[15] any A. B. F. H. I. L.

[16] manne A.

[17] should A. B. F. I.

[18] bee F.

[19] beleeved F. L.

[20] p. 3. F. [21] faithe MS. faith F.

[22] bee F. [23] p, 6. A.

[24] as necessarie MS. as necessary A. necessary B. or necessary F.

[25] no Point MS.

[26] Here I have begun a new Paragraph. Because there is the Space of an n left vacant at the end of the word Salvation, which ends the foregoing Line in that Copy which this Text expresses, as also in C D. E. K. I confess, the Word

In, which begins this Paragraph, is not, in the Copies aforesaid, indented after the usual Manner of beginning new Paragraphs: But it must be observed, that two other Paragraphs of this very Article in these Copies are begun without any Indenture. Here also begins a new Paragraph in MS. A. B. G. K. but not in F. H. I. L.

For In the name of read By the naming of A. By the naming of B.

[27] holie MS. the holy F.

[28] no Comma MS.

[29] wee F.

[30] doe F. doo L.

[31] understand F.

[32] old F.

[33] new A. F.

[35] no Comma MS.

[36] authoritie MS. authority F.

[37] Comma MS. A. B.

[38] anye H. I.

[39] doubte MS. I. L.,

[40] Church A. B. F.

[13] De Nominibus, & numero Librorum [14] Sacræ [15] Canonicæ [16] Scripturæ veteris Testamenti [17].

[18] Genesis. Exodus [19]. Leviticus [20]. Numeri [21].

Deuteron. 22

[23] Folua. Fudicum. Ruth.

[24] Prior liber Samuelis. Secundus lib. Samuelis. Prior liber Regum. Secundus liber Regum. Prior liber paralipom. Secundus liber paralipomen.

[13] Catalogus librorum,&c. | mi the Catalogue proceeds thus in MS. W.

[14] Sacre MS.

[15] Canonice MS. [16] Scripture MS.

[17] no Poine MS. [18] Genesys. MS. [19] Comma MS.

[20] Comma MS. [21] Comma MS.

[22] Deuterono. MS. Deuteronom. W.

[23] In MS. this and the following Word are written and transposed thus,

> Tudicum Josue

And there is no Point after either of them; but in the Margin the Letter b, made with a Red Lead Pencil, is placed over against Judicum, and the Letter a, made with a Red Lead Pencil, is placed over against Josue, intimating, that they should be placed, as in the Text, and in W. read Josue W.

[24] Between Ruth and Pfal-

MS.

2. Samuelis.

2. Regum,

2 Paralipon. 2 Efdre.

Hester. Job.

And note, that after Paralipon. and after Eldre the Figure 2, with a full Point after it, had been written, but 'tis in both places struck through with Ink.

In W. between Ruth and Pfalmi the Catalogue stands thus,

2. Regum. Paralipom. 2. 2. Samuelis. Efdræ. 2.

Hester. Job.

But in Bod. I. there is written 2 Samuelis between Ruth. and 2 Regum: and 2. Samuelis. is accordingly struck out before Esdræ. 2. As for the Alterations in Bod. 2. see Chap. 12. p. 225,

[41] Of the names and number of the Canonicall [42] Bookes.

The [50]. 2. [51] boke [43] Genesis. of Samuel. Exodus. The [52]. 1. booke of Leviticus. [44] Numerie. [53] Kinges. The [54]. 2. booke of Deuteronomium. 45 [55] Kinges. Folue. 46 The [56]. 1. booke of fudges. Ruth. [57] Chroni. The [58]. 2. booke of [47] The [48]. I. [49] [59] Chroni.

[41] p. 3. MS. p. 6. B. p. 5. L.

boke of Samuel.

omit of MS. A. B. [42] Books MS.

[43] The Table of Books stands thus spelled and pointed in MS.

Genesis The first book of Samuel. Exodus the second book of Samuel. Leviticus the first book of Kinges the second book of Kinges Numeri Deutronom the first book of Chronicles 30 ue the second book of Chronicles the first book of Esdras. **Judges** the second book of Esdras Ruth.

the book of Hester the book of 30b the Psalmes the Proverbes Eccles: or preacher Cantica, or Songes of Salomon. 4. prophetts the greater. 12. prophetts the leffe.

[44] Numeri A. B. F. [45] Deuteronom. A. Deuter. B. [46] Josuah L.

[47] in A. B. read 2. Samuel.

2. Kynges. 2. Chronicles.

2. Esdre. only in B. read

Eldr. [48] no full Point F.

[49] Booke F. H. I. L.

[50] no full Point F.

[51] Booke F. H. I. L.

[52] no full Point F. [53] Kynges I. L.

Kings F. [54] no full Point F.

[55] Kynges L. Kings F.

[56] no full Point F. [57] Chron, F.

[58] no full Point F.

[59] Chron. F.

Primus liber Esdræ.

Secundus liber Esdræ.

Liber Hester.

Liber Job.

Psalmi.

Proverbia.

Ecclesiastes [25], vel concionator. Cantica [26] Salomonis.

[27] 4. [28] Prophetæ majores. [29] 12. [30] Prophetæ minores.

[31] Alios autem libros (ut ait [32] Hieronimus) legit quidem Ecclesia [33], ad exempla [34] vitæ [35], & formandos mores [36]: illos tamen ad dogmata confirmanda [37] non adhibet [38], ut funt [39].

[25] a full Point W.

omit vel concionator.
MS. W.

[26] omit Salomonis, but re-

tain the full Point. MS. W.
[27] omit the Figure of 4. W.
place it after majores.

Bod. 1.

[28] Prophete MS.

[19] omit the Figure of 12. W. place it after minores.

Bod. I.

[30] Prophete MS.

31] p. 6.

[32] Hyeronimus MS. Hieronymus W.

[33] no Comma W.

[34] vite MS.

35] no Gomma W.

[36] Comma MS. W.

[37] p. 7. W.

[38] Semicolon MS. Golon W.

[39] no Point W.

The [60]. 1. booke of Esdras.
The [61]. 2. booke of

Eldras.

[62] The booke of [63]

Hester.
[64] The booke of Fob.

[65] The Psalmes.

[66] The Proverbes.

[67] Ecclesia. or preacher. Cantica [68], or [69]

Songes of [70] Sa.

4. [71] Prophetes the greater [72].

12. [73] Prophetes the

lesse.

[74] And the other bookes (as [75] Hierome [76] fayth) the [77] Churche [78] doth [79] reade [80] for example of [81] lyfe and inftruction of [82] maners: but yet [83] doth it not [84] applie them to [85] establishe [86] any doctrine. [87] Such are [88] these [89] following.

[60] no full Point F.
[61] no full Point F

[62] omit The booke of A. B.

[63] Esther L.

[64] omit The booke of A. B

[65] omit The A.B. [66] omit The A.B.

[67] Ecclef. A. B. Ecclefiast. F.

[68] a full Point L. [69] fong A. fongue B.

fongs F. [70] Salomon. A. B.

Salom, F.

proph. B. prophets F. [72] no Point A. B.

[73] prophet. A. proph. B.

prophets F. [74] p. 6. as also of C. D. E.

G. H. I. K.

read As for the A. B.

[75] Jerome A. Jerom B. Hierom L.

[76] faith MS. A. B. F L.

[77] Church MS. A. F. G. H I. K.

[78] doeth F. L. [79] read MS.

[80] read for example, and for good instruction of lyvyng:

A. B.

[81] lief MS. life F.

[82] manners MS.

[83] doeth F. L.

[84] apply A. F. L.

[85] establish MS. F. establyshe A. B. stablyshe L.

[86] anye I.

[87] fuche H. I. L. Here is a Break B.

[88] theis MS.

[89] followinge MS. following F.

[40] Tertius liber Esdræ. Quartus liber Esdræ. Liber Tobiæ. Liber Judith. Reliquum libri Hester. Liber Sapientiæ. Liber Jesu filii Sirach. Baruch propheta. Canticumtrium puerorum. Historia Susannæ.

[40] In MS. the Catalogue of Aporryphal Books stands thus,
Tertius & quartus Esdre.
Sapientia,
Jesus filius Syrach
Judith.
Tobias.
2. libri Machabæorum.
But in W. it stands thus,

Tertius & quartus Esdræ. Sapientia. Jesus filius Syrach.
Tobias. Judith.
Libri Machabæorum. 2.
So that Reliquum libri Hester,
Baruch, Canticum trium puerorum, Hist. Susannæ, de Bel
& Dracone, and Oratio Manass.
are totally omitted in MS. and
W. But in Bod. 2. the Figure
of two after Machabæorum is
changed into duo.

[90] The third [91] boke of Eldras 92].

[92] The fourth [94] boke

of Eldras [95]

The [96] booke of Tobias [97].

The [98] booke of [99]

Fudith [100].

The rest of the [101] booke of [102] Hester.

The 102 booke of 104 Wisdome [105].

Fesus the [106] Sonne of

Sirach [107].

Baruch [108], the [109]

prophet. 110 Song of the [111].

3. [112] children [113]. The [114] Storie of Su-

lanna.

[90] The Table stands thus spelled and pointed in A. B.

3. and. 4. of Eldras. The booke of Wisdome. Tesus the Sonne of Syrach. Judith. Tobias. Machabies. 2.

only in B. read 3. & 4. Wisdome and Machabees. 2 read The 3. F.

The. 3. L. in MS. it was written the first book, but the word first is struck through, and the word third is written over it.

[91] Book MS.

Booke F. L. [92] no full Point MS.

[93] read The 4. F.

The. 4 L.

in MS. it was written the fecond book, but the word fecond is struck through, and the word forth (with a full Point after it) is written over it.

[94] Book MS. Booke F. L.

[95] a full Point F. L.

[96] Book MS.

[97] no full Point MS.

[98] Book MS. [99] Judeth F. [100] no full Poine MS.

ItoI Book MS.

102 Esther L.

[103] hoke G. K.

[104] Wisedome MS. F. [105] no full Point MS.

[106] fonn MS.

[107] no full Point MS.

[108] no Comma F.

a full Point, and omit the prophet. MS.

[109] prophete L.

[110] insert The MS. F. G.

H. I. K. L.

read songue L. [III] no full point MS. three F. G. H. I. K. L.

[112] chyldren L.

[113] no full point MS.

[114] Story F.

De Bel & Dracone. Oratio Manasses. Prior lib. Machabeorum. Secundus liber Machabeorum.

Novi Testamenti [41] omnes Libros [42], (ut vulgo recepti sunt [43]) recipimus [44], & habed mus pro Canonicis.

[41] Comma MS.
Iibros omnes W.
[42] no Comma nor Parenthesis renthesis MS.
[44] no Comma W.

Of [117] Bel and the [121] The. 1. [122] boke Dragon [118]. of [123] Machab.

The [119] prayer of Ma- [124] The. 2. [125] booke nasses [120]. of [126] Macha.

[127] All the [128] bookes of the [129] newe Testament [130], as [131] they are [132] commonly [133] receaved [134], we [135] do [136] receave [137] and [138] accompt them [139] for Canonicall.

P. 4. F. 117 Bell MS. [118] no full Point MS. al L. [119] praier MS. [128] Books MS. [120] no full Point MS. Nue MS. The first MS. New F. H. The I. F. 130 no Comma MS. [122] Book MS. F. [131] the MS. Booke H. L. [132] comonly MS. [133] received MS. [123] Machabies, MS. Maccabees. F. receyved L. [134] no Comma MS. Macha. H. L. The seconde MS. [135] doo L. The 2. F. [136] receive MS.F. [125] Book MS. F. receyve L.

[126] Machabies. MS.

[127] p. 7. A.

Maccabees, F.

Macha, H. L.

[137] Comma A. B.

[139] omit for F.

[138] accompte MS. B.

account F.

ARTICULUS SEPTIMUS.

[1] De Veteri Testamento.

TEstamentum Vetus [2], Novo contrarium non est, quandoquidem tam in Veteri [3], quam [4] in Novo, per Christum, qui unicus est Mediator Dei [5], & hominum, Deus & homo, [6] æterna Vita [7], humano generi est proposita [8]. Quare male sentiunt, qui veteres tantum in promissio-

[1] p. 3. MS.

[2] no Comma W. [3] no Comma MS. W.

4] owit in W.

[5] no Comma A.

[6] eterna MS. [7] no Comma MS. W.

[8] Comma MS

The SEVENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] olde Testament.

THE [3] olde Testament is not [4] contrary to the [5] newe [6], for both in the [7] olde and [8] newe [9] Testament [10] everlastyng [11] lyse is [12] offered to [13] mankynde by [14] Christe, who is the [15] onlye [16] mediatour [17] betweene God and man [18], [19] being [20] both God and man. [21] Wherefore [22] they are not to [23] be [24] hearde [25] whiche

[1] p. 6. L.

This Article has number 6.

offixed to it. MS.

Touching the A.
Touchyng the B.
In MS. it was written

touching the, but the word touching is struck through, and the word of is written over head.

[2] old MS. F. [3] old B. F.

[4] contrarie MS. B. contrarye H. I.

[5] nue MS.

[6] full Point A. B.

[7] old B. F. I. [8] new F.

[9] Testaments MS. Testamentes A. B. Testamente I.

[10] Comma A. B. I. everlasting MS. B. G.K.

[11] p. 7. B. lief MS. life F.

[12] offred MS. A.

H. K.

mankind B.

[14] Chryst A. Christ F.

[15] onely MS. F. I. only B.

[16] mediator F. but the Mark used in the end of this Word in the MS. will indifferently denote or or our.

[17] betwene MS. A. B. L.

[18] Semicolon MS.

[19] beyng B. I. L. [20] bothe MS.

[21] Wherfore MS. A.

[22] Comma B. [23] bee F.

[24] heard MS. harde A.

[25] Comma A. B. I. L. which MS. F

nes temporarias sperasse confingunt [9]. [10] Quanquam lex a deo data per Mosen [11] (quoad ceremonias & ritus) Chri[12] stianos non astringat, neque civilia ejus [13] præcepta in aliqua [14] republica [15] necessario recipi debeant [16], nihilominus ramen ab obedientia Mandatorum [17] ([18] quæ moralia vocantur) [19] (nullus quantumvis Christianus [20]) est solurus.

[9] Comma MS.

[10] quamquam MS.

[11] A Comma instead of the Parenthesis, and so again after ritus W.

[12] p. 8. W.

[13] precepta MS.

[14] repub. MS.

[15] p. 7. [16] Colon W.

Section .

[17] Put a Comma instead of the Parenthesis, and so again instead of the two Parentheses after vocantur A.

[18] que MS.

[19] The latter Parenthesis before nullus is omitted. MS.

[20] A Comma instead of the Parenthesis MS. W.

. .

[26] faigne that the [27] olde fathers [28] dyd [29] looke [30] onlye for [31] transitorie [32] promises. Although the [33] lawe [34] geven [35] from God by [36] Moyses [37], as [38] touchyng ceremonies and [39] rites [40], [41] do not [42] bynde Christian men, nor the [43] civile [44] preceptes [45] therof [46], [47] ought of necessitie to be [48] receaved in any [49] common [50] wealth [51]: yet [52] notwithstandyng [53], no Christian man whatsoever [54], is free from the obedience of the [55] Commaundementes [56], [57] whiche are called [58] morall.

[26] faine MS. fayne A. feigne F. [27] p. 4. MS. old F. L. [28] did MS. F.

[29] loke A. B. [30] onelie MS. only A B. onely F.

[31] transitorye A. [32] promyses A. L.

[32] Promy

[34] given MS.

[35] p. 7. as also of C. D. E. G. H. I. K.

omit from god A. B.

[36] Moses B. F. L.

[37] no Comma MS. A. [38] touching MS. F.

[39] rytes L.

[40] no Comma MS.

[41] doo L.

[42] binde MS. A: bind F.

[43] civill MS. F. cyvill A. civil B.

[44] precepts MS. F.

[45] thereof A. F.

[46] no Comma MS. F. L.

[47] p. 8. A.

[48] received MS. F. receyved L.

[49] comon MS. B. [50] wealthe MS.

[51] Colon MS.

[52] notwithstanding MS.

[53] no Comma MS. [54] no Comma MS.

[55] commaundements MS. Commandements F.

[56] no Comma MS. A. B.

[57] which MS. A. B.F.

[58] morrall MS:

ARTICULUS OCTAVUS.

[1] De tribus Symbolis.

Symbola tria, [2] Nycænum, Athanasii, & quod vulgo [3] Apostolorum appellatur, omnino recipienda sunt [4], & credenda [5], nam sirmissimis [6] Scripturæ testimoniis probari possunt..

[1] The Title is Symbola tria. MS. W.

[2] Nycenum MS. Nicænum W. [3] Apostolicum MS. W.

[4] no Comma W.[5] a full Point W.

[6] Scripturarum MS. W.

The EIGHTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] three [3] Credes.

'HE [4] three [5] Credes, [6] Nicene Crede, Athanasius [7] Crede, and that [8] whiche is [9] commonlye called the Apostles [10] Crede, ought [11] throughlye to be [12] receaved and [13] beleved [14]: for they [15] may [16] be [17] proved by [18] moste [19] certayne [20] war-rauntes of [21] holye scripture [22].

[1] This Article has Numb. 7. offixed to it MS.

omit Of MS. A. B. [2] thre MS.

[3] Creedes MS. F. I. L.

[4] thre MS.
[5] Creedes F.
[6] Nice F.

7 Creed F. [8] which MS. A. F. G. K.

[9] commonlie MS. commonly A. F. comonly B.

[10] Creed F.

[11] thoroughlie MS. throughly A. B. F. L. [12] received MS. F. receyved L.

[13] beleeved F. L.

[14] full Point MS. A. B.

[15] maye A. 16] bee F.

17 prooved F. L.

18] p. 8. B. most MS. B. F. H. I. L.

[19] certaine MS. F.

[20] warranties MS. warraunties A. B. warrants F. warrantes L.

[21] holy MS. A.B.F.H. I. L.

[22] no Point MS.

ARTICULUS NONUS.

. [1] De peccato originali.

Eccatum originis [2] non est [3] (ut fabulantur Pelagiani) in imitatione Adami situm, sed est Vitium [4], & depravatio [5] naturæ [6], cujuslibet hominis [7], ex Adamo naturaliter [8] propagati [9]: qua fit, ut ab originali [10] justicia quam longissime dister, ad malum sua nas 11 stura propen-

[1] The Title is, peccatum originale. MS. W. [2] Comma MS.

[3] Comma before the Parenthefis. MS.

[4] no Comma W: [s] nature MS.

[9] Comma MS. W. [10] justitia W.

[11] p. 9. W.

no Comma W.

no Comma W. [8] Comma MS.

The NINTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] originall [3] or [4] birth [5] Sinne [6].

Riginall [8] Sinne standeth not in the [9] folowing of Adam [10] ([11] as the Pelagians [12] do [13] vaynely [14] talke) but it is the [15] fault and corruption of the nature of [16] every [17] man, that [18] natu[19] rally is [20] engendred of the [21] ofspring of Adam, [22] whereby man is [23] very [24] farre [25] gone from [26] originall [27] ryghteousnes, and is of [28] his owne nature [29] enclined to [20] e-

[1] This Article has Numb. 8. affixed to it. MS.

[2] original MS. L.

[3] read birth or finne. F.

4 byrth I. L.

[5] fynne A. B. L. [6] no full Point MS.

[7] Original L.

[8] fynne A. B. L. following MS. F. folowyng A. B.

10 Comma F.

[11] here is a Comma immediatly after the Parenthesis. MS.

[12] doe F. doo L.

[13] vainelie MS. vainely F. G. K. vaynelye L.

[14] taulke MS. [15] faulte MS. L.

[16] everie MS. everye I. L.

[17] p. 5. F. [18] naturallye L.

19 p. 9. A.

[20] ingendred B. F. 121 Ofspringe MS. A. ofspryng B. H. I. L. off-spring F.

[22] wherby MS. A.

23 verie MS. [24] far A.

25 gonne MS. [26] insert his MS.

read his former ryghteoufnes which he had at his Creation, and is A. B. only in B read righteousnesse.

[27] righteousnes MS. F. ryghteousnesse H.I.L.

[28] hys G. K.

[29] inclined MS. enclined I. L. geven to A. B.

[30] evill MS. F.

deat, & caro semper adversus spiritum concupiscat [12], unde in unoquoque nascentium, iram Dei [13], atque Damnationem meretur [14]. Manet etiam in renatis [15] hæc [16] Naturæ depravatio [17]. Qua sit, ut affectus Carnis [18] Grece [19] ocirnuæ [20] saguós [21], [22] (quod alii sapientiam, alii sensum, [23] alii affectum, alii studium [24] carnis interpretantur [25], [26]) legi Dei non subjiciatur [27]. Et [28] quanquam renatis

[12] a full Point W.

[13] no Comma W. [14] Comma MS.

[15] hec MS.

[17] Gomma MS.
Colon W.

[18] Comma W. read Græce W.

[19] these Words have no Accents. MS.

[20] saguds W.

[21] A Point, in form like a Latin full Point, is placed in MS. in the middle, neither high enough for a Greek Semicolon, nor low mough for a Latin full Point.

[22] no Parenthesis MS.

[23] p. 4. MS.

[24] omit carnis MS. W.

Carnis is written in the Margin of MS, with a red Lead Pen, and there is a Mark of Infertion between studium and interpretantur made with a red Lead Pen.

The word carnis is also added with a Pen over the Line in

Bod. I.

[25] no Comma W.

[26] no Parenthesis MS.

[27] Comma MS.

[28] quamquam VS.

vyll [31], fo [32] that the [33] fleshe [34] lusteth [35] alwayes [36] contrary to the [37] spirite, and 38] therefore in [39] every person borne into this [40] worlde, it deserveth [41] Gods [42] wrath and damnation. And this infection of nature 44 doth [45] remayne, yea [46] in them that [47] are [48] regenerated, [49] whereby [50] the [51] luste of the [52] slesshe [53], called in [54] Greke [55] pessynua oagus [56], [57] which [58] some [59] do [60] expounde [61] the [62] wisdome [63], some [64] sensualitie [65], some [66] the affection [67], some [68] the [69] desyre of the [70] fleshe, is not [71] subject to the [72] lawe of God. And

[31] Colon A. B.

[32] p. 7 L. [33] flesh F.

[34] read desiereth A. desireth B.

135 alwaies MS. [36] contrarie MS. B.

contrarye H. L.

[37] Spirit F.

[38] therfore MS. A. B.

[39] everie MS. [40] world F.

[41] goddes MS.

[42] wrathe MS.

[43] p. 8. as also in C. D. E. G. H. I. K.

dampnation A. B.

[44] doeth B. F. L.

[45] remaine MS. F. L. [46] Comma A.

[47] read be MS.

[48] readbaptysed, wherby A. read baptized, whereby

В. [49] wherbye MS. wherby H.

[50] p. 5. MS.

[51] luft A. B. F. H. I. L.

[52] flesh F.

[53] no Comma MS. [54] Greeke F.

[55] perunua oaguds MS. F. pegrina caexos L.

[56] no Comma MS.

[57] whiche B. H. I. L.

[58] p. 9. B. [59] doe F.

doo I. [6c] expound F. L.

[61] Comma B.

62 wysedome B. H. I. L.

[63] Colon B.

[64] Comma A. B. F. L. fenfuality F.

[65] Colon B.

[66] Comma A. B.

[67] Colon B.

[68] Comma A. B.

[69] desier MS. desire F.

[7c] flesh F. L.

[71] fubjecte MS. A.

[72] law F.

& credentibus [29], nulla propter Christum [30] est Condemnatio, peccati tamen in sese ra[31]tionem habere concupiscentiam [32], fatetur Apostolus.

[29] no Comma W. [30] Comme MS.

ST P: -8. [32] no Comena W.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS.

De libero Arbitrio.

R A est hominis post lapsum [1] Adæ conditio, ut sese naturalibus suis viribus [2], & bonis operibus [3], ad sidem [4], & invocationem Dei convertere [5], ac [6] præparare non possit [7]. Quare ab [8] sque gratia Dei [9] ([10] que per Chri-

[1] Ade MS.

[2] no Comma MS. W.

[3] no Commo W. [4] no Comma W.

[5] no Commay W.

[6] preparare MS.

[7] Comma MS. Calon W.

[8] p. 10. W.

[9] Comma before the Paren-

a Comma for the Parenthesis, and so again after est W. [10] que MS.

although there is no [73] condemnation for them that [74] believe and are [75] baptized [76]: yet the Apostle [77] doth contesse [78] that concupificence and [79] luste [80] hath of it [81] selfe the nature of [82] synne.

[73] condempnation A.B. [74] beleeve F. L.

[74] beleeve F. L. [75] baptised MS. A. L.

[76] Comma MS. A.

[78] Comma A. B. L.

[79] luft B. F. H. I. L. [80] Comma MS. A. B. F.

[80] Comma MS. A. B.

[82] finne MS.

The TENTH ARTICLE.

HE condition of man [3] after the fall of Adam [4] is [5] fuche [6], that he [7] can not turne and prepare [8] hym felfe by [9] his owne [10] naturall ftrength [11] and good workes [12], to [13] fayth [14] and [15] calling [16] upon God [17]: [18] wherefore we have no power to [19] do

[1] p. 10. A.

This Article has Numb. 9.

affix d to it. MS.

.: (2) will MS. F. G. K.

[3] Comma B. F.

[4] Comma B. [5] fuch MS. B. F.

[6] no Comma MS. [7] cannot MS. F. G. H.

[8] himfelf MS. himfelfe F.

[9] hys G. K.

[10] natural H.

[11] Comma A. B.

[12] no Comma F. [13] faith MS. F. H.

[14] Comma A. B.

[15] callyng A. B. I. L.

[16] uppon MS. B. H. [17] full Point MS. A. B.

[18] wherfore MS. A. H.

[19] doe F.

ftum est) nos [11] præveniente, ut velimus, & cooperante [12], dum volumus, ad pietatis opera sacienda, [13] quæ Deo grata [14] sunt [15], & accepta, nihil valemus.

[11] preveniente MS. [12] no Comma W.

[13] que MS.

[14] fint W.

But in Bod. 2. 'sis corrested funt, as it flands in abo Text.

Iss | no Commo W.

[3] no Comma W.

ARTICULUS UNDECIMUS.

De Hominis Justificatione.

Antum propter meritum Domini [1], ac Servatoris [2] nostri Jesu Christi, per sidem, non propter opera [3], & merita nostra, justi coram

^[1] no Comma W.
[2] Domini is added in the Margin of Bod. 2. fignifying that 'tis
to be repeated here.

good workes [20] pleafaunt and acceptable to God, [21] without the grace of God by [22] Christe [23] preventyng us [24], that we [25] may have a good [26] wyll [27], and [28] workyng [29] with us, when we have that good [30] wyll.

[20] Comma MS. A. B. pleafant MS. F. L.

[21] withowte MS.

[22] Christ MS. A. L. [23] preventinge MS. preventing F. L.

preventing F. L. [24] no Comma MS.

[25] maie MS. maye A. [26] will MS. wil F. wyll L.

[27] no Comma MS. A. B [28] working MS. F. G. K.

[29] read in us MS. A. B.

[30] will MS. F. wyl L.

The ELEVENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the Justification of Man.

E are accompted [2] righteous before God, [3] only for the merite of our [4] Lord and Saviour Jesus [5] Christ [6], by [7] faith [8], and not for [9] our owne [10] workes [11] or [12] de-

[1] p. 10. B.

[2] ryghteous A. H. I. L. [3] onelye MS. onlye A. onely F.

[4] Lorde MS. A. B.

[5] Christe MS. B. Chryste A.

[6] no Comma F.

[7] fayth A.

[8] no Comma MS.

[10] p. 9. as also in C. D. E. G. H. I. K.

woorkes L.

[11] Comma F.
[12] defervinges MS. H. I.
defervings F.

Deo [4] reputamur [5]. Quare fola fide nos justificari, Doctrina est saluberrima [6], ac consolationis plenissima [7], ut in homilia de justificatione hominis [8], sus explicatur.

[4] reputemur MS. [5] Comma MS. Colon W. [6] no Comma W. [7] Golon W.

[8] no Commo MS. W.

ARTICULUS DUODECIMUS.

De bonis Operibus [1].

BONA opera [2], [3] quæ sunt fructus sidei [4], & justissicatos sequuntur, quanquam peccata

[1] Comma MS.
[2] no Comma W.

[3] que MS. [4] no Comma W. fervynges. [13] Wherefore [14], that we are [15] iustified by [16] fayth [17] onely, [18] is a [19] most [20] wholesome doctrine, and [21] very full of [22] comfort [23], as more [24] largely is expressed in the [25] Homilie of justification [26].

- [13] Here beginneth a new Paragraph in A. For tho' the Word Wherefore is not indented (as the Beginnings of several other new Paragraphs are not in this Copy) yet there is the space of an mor more, left woid at the end of the foregoing Line; which Space, if a new Paragraph had not been intended, would have been driven out.

read Wherfore MS.

14 no Comma MS.

[15] justefied MS. justifyed L.

[16] p. 11. A. p. 6. F.

faith MS. F.

[17] onelye MS. only A. I. K. onlye B. H.

[18] read it is B.

[19] moste MS. A. G. K. L. [20] wholfome MS. A. B. F.

[21] verie MS.

omit very A. B. [22] cumforte MS. comforte A. L.

[23] Colon B.

24 largelie MS. largelye A.

[25] homelye MS. homyly A. homily F.

[26] no Point MS.

The TWELFTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of good [2] Workes.

Lbeit that good [3] workes [4], [5] whiche are the [6] fruites of [7] fayth, and [8] fo-

[1] p. 6. MS. p. 8. L.

2 woorkes L

[3] woorkes L. 4 no Comma MS.

Is I which MS. B. F. L.

[6] fruits F.

[7] faithe MS. faith F.

[8] followe MS. follow F. folow L.

nostra [5] ex[6] piare [7], & divini judicii severitatem ferre non possunt [8]: [9] Deo tamen grata sunt [10], & accepta in Christo, atque ex vera & viva fide [11], necessario prossuunt, ut plane ex illis, [12] æque fides viva cognosci possit, atque arbor ex fructu judicari.

[5] expiari W.

[6] p. 9. [7] no Comma W.

[8] Comma MS. W.

[9] p. 11. W.

[10] no Comma W.
[11] no Gomma W

[12] eque MS.

lowe after justification, [9] can not put [10] away our [11] sinnes [12], and endure the severitie of Gods judgement [13]: yet are they [14] pleasing and acceptable [15] to God in [16] Christe, and [17] do [18] spring [19] out [20] necessarily of a true and [21] lively [22] sayth, [23] in so muche [24] that by them [25], a [26] lyvely [27] sayth [28] may be as [29] evidently [30] knowen, as a tree discerned by the [31] fruit.

[9] cannot MS. A. F.

[10] awaie MS.

[11] fynnes A. L.; [12] no Gomma MS.

[13] Comma F.

[14] pleatinge MS.
pleatyng A. B. L.

[15] In MS. it was written unto, but the Syllable un is blotted out.

[16] Chryst A. Christ F.

[17] doe F. doo I.

[18] springe MS. spryng B. L.

[19] owte MS.

[ao] neceffarelie MS. neceffarylyA.G.H.K.L. neceffarylye B. neceffarilie I. [21] livelie MS. lyvely A. L.

[22] faithe MS. faith F. G. H. I. K.

[23] in fomuche MS. infomuch A. B. in fo much F. I.

[24] Comma L.

[25] no Comma MS. A. F.

[26] livelie MS. lively B. F. I.

[27] faithe MS. faith F. I.

[28] maie MS. maye A. L.

[29] evidentlie MS. evidentlye B. L.

[30] knowne F.

[31] fruite MS. A. B. I. L.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS TERTIUS.

[1] De Operibus ante Justificationem.

Pera [2] quæ fiunt [3], ante gratiam Christi, & spiritus ejus afflatum, cum ex side Jesu Christi non prodeant, minime Deo grata sunt [4], neque gratiam (ut multi vocant) de congruo merentur [5]. [6] Immo cum non sint sacta [7], ut Deus illa fieri voluit [8], & [9] præcepit, peccati rationem habere [10] non dubitamus.

1 p. 5. MS. The Title is, Opera ante Justificationem. MS. W.

[2] Comma MS. read que MS.

[3] no Comma W.

[4] Colon W.

[5] Comma MS. Colon W.

[6] Imo MS. W.

[7] no Comma W.

[8] no Comma W.

[9] precepit MS. [10] Comma MS.

The THIRTEENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Workes before Justification.

[3] W Orkes done before the grace of [4] Chrifte, and [5] the inspiration of his [6] spirite [7], are not [8] pleasaunt to [9] God, [10] for as they [11] spring not of [12] sayth in Jesu [13] Christ, [14] neither do they make men [15] meete to [16] receave grace, or (as the [17] Schole [18] aucthours [19] saye) deserve grace of congruitie [20]: [21] year ather for that they are not done as God hath [22] wylled and [23] commaunded them to be done, we [24] doubt not but they have the nature of [25] synne.

[1] P. 11. B.

This Article has Numb. 12.

affixed to it, tho' the preceding
Article has the very same Number. MS.

omit of MS. A. B.

[3] woorkes L.
[4] Chryste A.

Christ F.
[5] thinspiration MS.

[6] Spirit MS. F. [7] no Comma MS.

[8] pleafante MS. pleafant F.

[9] p. 12. A. [10] forasmuch MS. A. B. F.

for as muche L. [11] fpryng B. L.

[12] faith MS. F.

[13] Christe MS. B. Chryst A.

[14] neyther A. I. L.

[15] mete MS. meet F.

[16] receive MS. F. receyve L.

[17] Scoole B. F. Schoole F.

[18] authors MS. F.

[19] faie MS. fay B. F. G. H. I. K. L.

[20] Comma MS. A.
[21] read but because they

[22] willed MS. F. L.

[23] commanded F.

[24] doubte L.

[25] finne MS. F. G. H. I. K.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS QUARTUS.

[1] De Operibus Supererogationis.

Pera [2] quæ Supererogationis appellant, non possumt sine arrogantia [3], & impietate [4] prædicari [5]. Nam illis declarant homines [6], non tantum se [7] Deo reddere [8], [9] quæ tenentur, sed plus in ejus gratiam sacere [10], quam de-

[1] The Title is, Opera Supererogationis. MS. W.

[2] que MS.

[3] no Comma MS. W. [4] predicari MS.

[5] Comma MS.

[6] no Comma W.

[8] no Comma W.

[9] que MS.

[10] no Comma MS. W.

The FOURTEENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Workes of [3] Supererogation.

[4] V Oluntarie [5] workes [6] befydes, over [7] and above Gods [8] commaundementes[9], [10] which they call [11] workes of [12] Supererogation, [13] can not [14] be taught [15] without [16] arrogancie and impietie [17]. For by them [18] men [19] do declare that they [20] do not [21] onely render unto God [22] as [23] muche as they are [24] bounde to [25] do [26], but that they [27] do more for his Sake [28] then [29] of bounden [30] duetie is [31] required [32]: [33] wheras [34] Christe

[1] p. 10. as also in C. D. E. I G. H. I. K.

This Article has Numb. 13.

affixed to it. MS.
omit of MS. A. B.

[2] woorkes L.

[3] fuper erogation MS.

[4] voluntary A. F. K.

[5] works MS. woorkes L.

[6] Comma B. G. H. I. K. besides MS. B. F. I.

[7] Comma L.

[8] commaundements MS.F.

[9] no Comma MS.

[10] whiche G. H. I. K. L.

[11] works MS. F. woorks L.

[12] Super erogation MS.

[13] cannot MS. F.

[14] bee A.

[15] without MS.

[16] arrogancy MS.

arrogancye A.

[17] Comma MS. [18] Comma A. B.

[19] p. 7. F.

doe F.

[20] doe F. [21] only MS. A. B.G. I. K.

[22] asmuch MS. [23] much B. F. I L.

[24] bound F. [25] doo MS. doe F.

[26] Colon MS. A. B.

[27] don A. doe F.

[28] Comma MS. A. F.

[29] p. 12. B. [30] duety F.

[31] requyred L. [32] Comma MS. A. B.

[33] whereas F. G. H. L.

[34] Christ MS. A. F. G. H.

berent [11], cum aperte Christus dicat [12]: Cum feceritis omnia [13] quæcunque præcepta sunt vobis, dicite [14], servi inutiles sumus.

[11] Colon W. [12] Comma MS.

[13] quecunque MS. [14] Colon W.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS QUINTUS.

[1] De Christo, qui solus est sine Peccato.

Hristus [2], in [3] nostræ [4] naturæ veritate [5], per omnia similis sactus est nobis, excepto peccato, a quo prorsus erat immunis, tum

[1] p. 10.

The Title is, Nemo præter Christum sine peccato. MS.

W. only in MS. read preter, and
tut a Comma after Christum.

^[2] no Comma MS. W.

^[3] nostre MS.

^[4] nature MS. [5] no Comma MS. W.

[25] fayth [36] playnly [37], when ye have done [38] al that are [39] commaunded [40] to [41] you [42], [43] fay, we [44] be [45] unprofitable [46] servauntes.

[35] faieth MS. faveth B. faith F.

[36] plainelie MS. playnely D. H. L. plainely F. G. I. K.

[37] Colon A. B. [38] p. 13. A.

all MS. A. F. H.

[39] comaunded MS. commanded F.

[40] omit to you A. B.

[41] yow MS.

[42] no Comma MS.

[43] faie MS. 44 read are F.

[45] unprofytable I.

[46] servants MS. F.

The FIFTEENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Christe alone without Sinne.

[3] CHriste in the [4] trueth of our nature [5], was made [6] lyke unto us in [7] al [8] thinges (sinne [9] only [10] except) from [11] which he was [12] clearey [13] voyde, both in his [14]

[1] p 7. MS.

p. 9. L.

This Article has Numb. 14.

affixed to it. MS.

The Title stands thus in MS. A. B. No Man is without Sinne but Chryst alone, Only in MS. read Christ; and in B. put a Comma after Sinne, and read Christe; and in MS. and B. put a full Point after alone.

[2] Christ F. G. H. K. L.

[3] Chrift A. F. G. K.

4 truthe MS.

5 no Comma MS.

like MS. G. K.

7] all MS. A. B. L. [8] things MS.

thynges B. onelie MS. onely A. B. F.

[10] excepte MS.

[11] whiche G. H. I. K. L.

[12] clerelie MS. clearely A. B. F. G. I.

K. L.

clearly H.

[13] voide MS. void F.

[14] flesh F. I. L.

in Carne [6], tum in Spiritu [7]. Venit [8] ut agnus [9], absque macula [10], qui mundi peccata per immolationem sui semel sactam, tolleret [11], & peccatum (ut inquit [12] Johannes) in eo non erat [13]: Sed nos reliqui [14] etiam baptizati, & in Christo regenerati, in multis [15] tamen offendimus omnes [16]. Et si dixerimus [17], quia

[6] no Comma MS. W.

[7] Comma MS. [8] Comma W.

[9] no Comma MS. W.

[10] effet MS. W.

[12] Joannes W.

[13] Comma MS.
a full Point W.

[14] Comma W.

[15] Comma MS. [16] Comma MS. Golon W.

[17] no Comma W.

fleshe [15] and in his [16] spirite [17]. He came to be [18] the lambe [19] without spot, who by sacrifice of [20] hym [21] selfe [22] once made [23], [24] shoulde take [25] away the sinnes of the [26] worlde [27]: and sinne [28], (as [29] S. [30] John [31] sayeth) was not in [32] hym [33]. But [34] al we the [35] rest [36], [37] (although [38] baptized [39], and borne [40] agayne in [41] Christe [42]) yet [43] offende in [44] many [45] thinges [46], and [47] if [48] we [49] say we

[15] Comma F. G. H. I. K. L.

[16] spirit MS. F. L.

[18] read a F.

[19] withowte spott MS.

him A. him felfe F.

[21] felf B.

[22] Comma A. B. read made once for ever, A. B.

[23] no Comma MS.

[24] should MS. A. B. F. G. H. K.

[25] awaie MS.

[26] world F.

[27] Semicolon MS. Comma A. B.

[28] no Gomma A.B.F.G.H. I. K. L.

[29] St MS. Saint L.

[30] Jhon H.

[31] faith MS. F. fayth A.B. G.H. I. K. L.

[32] him MS. A.F.G. K. L.

[33] Colon B.

[34] omit al MS.

omit al we A. B. all F. H. I. L.

[35] reste MS.

[36] no Comma G. H. I. K. L. [37] there is no Parenthesis

here. MS. A. B.

[38] in MS. the Word all had been inserted in this Place, but tis blotted out again.

baptised MS. A. L. insert we be A. B.

[39] no Comma MS. [40] againe MS. F.

[41] Chryste A. Christ F.

[42] there is no Parenthesis here, but only a Comma MS. A.B.

[43] insert we all MS.
insert we A. B.
offend F.

[44] manie MS.

[45] things MS. F. thynges B. G. H. K. L.

[46] Colon G. H. I. K. L.

[47] yf A. B. I. L.

[48] wee F.

[49] faie MS.

peccatum non habemus, nos ipsos seducimus, & veritas in nobis non est.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS SEXTUS.

[1] De [2] Peccato [3] post Baptismum.

ON omne peccatum mortale post baptissinum [4] voluntarie [5] perpetratum, est peccatum in Spiritum Sanctum [6], & irremissibile [7]. Proinde lapsis a baptismo in peccata, locus [8] penitentiæ non est negandus [9], post acceptum Spi-

[1] p. 6. MS. p. 13. W.

[2] read lapfis instead of pec-

cato W.

[3] instead of post Baptismum 'twas written in Spiritum sandtum; and then a Line was drawn under in Spiritum sanctum, and after Baptism is written over head in (I verily think) A. Bp. Parker's own Hand. MS.

[4] Comma MS.

[5] perpatratum W.

[6] no Comma W.

in MS. there was a Comma made here, but it seems to have been scratched out immediatly.

[7] Comma MS.

[8] penitentie MS.
[9] Semicolon MS.
a full Point W.

have no [50] sinne [51], we [52] deceave our selves, and the [52] trueth is not in us.

[50] fin F.

[51] no Comma MS.

[52] deceive MS. F. L. deceyve A.

truth A. Missille

The SIXTEENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Sinne after Baptisme [3].

[4] OT [5] every [6] deadly [7] finne [8] willingly committed after baptisme [9], is [10] Sinne [11] agaynst the [12] holy [13] ghost, and unpardonable. [14] Wherefore [15], the [16] graunt of [17] repentations is not to be

[1] p. 11. as also in C. D. E. G. H. I. K.

p. 14. A.

This Article has Numb. 15.

affixed to it. MS.

Note, that the Title of this Article is twice printed in A. viz.

1. at the bottom of the preceding Page, 2. at the beginning of p. 14. in which the body of it stands.

[2] fynne B.

[3] Comma MS.

[4] omit not A. B.

- [5] everie MS.
- [6] deadlie MS.
- [7] fynne B.
- [8] Comma B. willinglie MS.

wyllyngly A. B. H. L. willyngly G. K. wyllingly I.

[9] no Comma MS. [10] p. 13. B.

read not sinne A. B.

[11] againste MS. against B. F. G. K. L.

[12] holie MS. [13] ghoste MS.

[14] Wherfore MS. A. B.

[15] no Comma MS. A.

[16] read place for penitence, is not MS. A. B. only in MS. there is no Comma after penitence.

grant. F.

[17] repentance F.

ritum Sanctum [10] possumus a gratia data recedere [11], atque peccare [12]: denuoque per gratiam dei resurgere [13], ac resipiscere [14]: ideoque illi damnandi sunt, qui se quamdiu hic vivant, amplius non posse peccare affirmant, aut vere resipiscentibus [15], [16] veniæ locum denegant.

[10] Comma MS. W.

[11] no Comma W.

[12] Comma MS. W. [13] no Comma W.

[14] Comma MS.
a full Point W.

[15] no Comma MS. W. [16] penitentie MS.

pænitentiæ W.

[18] denyed [19] to [20] fuch as [21] fal into [22] finne after baptisme. After [23] we have [24] receaved the [25] holy [26] ghost, we [27] may [28] depart from grace [29] geven [30], and fall into [31] sinne, and by the grace of God [32] (we [33] may 34]) [35] aryse [36] agayne [37] and [38] amend our [39] lyves. And [40] therefore [41], [42] they are to be condemned [43], [44] whiche [45] say [46] they can no more [47] sinne [48] as [49] long as they [50] lyve [51] here, or [52] denie the place of [53] forgevenesse to [54] suche as [55] truely repent [56].

[18] denied MS. F.

[19] Comma A.

[20] fuche L. [21] fall MS. F. I. L.

[22] fynne B.

[23] wee F.

[24] received MS. F. L. receyved A.

[25] holie MS. holye I.

[26] ghoste MS.

[27] maye MS. A. B. I. [28] departe MS. I.

[29] given MS. F.

[30] no Comma MS.
[31] fynne A. B.

[32] here is no Parenthesis. MS. no Parenthesis, but a Com-

ma. A.B.
[33] maie MS.

[34] no Parenthesis. MS.
no Parenthesis, nor Com-

ma. A. B.

[35] ryfe A. B. arife MS. F. G. H. K.

[36] againe. MS. F. G. H. K.

[37] Comma MS. B. F.

[38] amende A. B. G. H. K.

[39] lives MS. F. G. H. I. K. [40] therfore MS. A. B.

41 no Comma MS. A. I. L.

theie MS.

[43] no Cemma MS. [44] which MS. A. B.

[45] faie MS.

[46] Comma A. B.

[47] fynne MS. B. [48] Comma MS.

[49] longe MS. A.

[50] live MS. F. [51] heare MS.

[52] denye B. G. H. K. deny L.

[53] forgevenes MS. A. L. forgivenesse F.

[54] fuch MS. F. H. L.

[55] truelie MS. truelye G. K.

[56] add and amende theyr lyves A.

and amende their

lives B.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS SEPTIMUS.

[1] 1)e [2] Pradestinatione & Electione.

Rædestinatio ad vitam, est [3] æternum Dei propositum, quo [4] ante jacta mundi sundamenta, suo consilio, nobis quidem occulto [5] constan [6] ter decrevit, eos [7] quos in Christo elegit [8] ex hominum genere, a maledicto & exitio liberare, atque [9] (ut vasa in honorem estecta [10]) per Christum [11], ad [12] æternam salutem addu-

[1] p. 11.

[2] Predestinatione MS.

[3] eternum MS.

[4] Comma MS.
[5] In MS. there is a Point, in
Shape like a full Point, at the top
of the Line, after the manner of a
Greek Semicolon.

Comma W.

[6] p. 14. W. [7] Comma MS.

[8] Comma MS. W.

[9] no Parenthesis MS. W.
[10] Comma instead of the Parenthesis. MS. W.

[11] no Comma W.

[12] eternam MS.

The SEVENTEENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of Predestination and Election.

PRedefination to [2] lyfe [3], is the [4] everlaftyng purpose of God, [5] wherby [6] (before the [7] foundations of the [8] world [9] were [10] layd [11]) [12] he hath [13] constantly decreed [14] by his [15] Councell [16] secrete to us [17], to [18] deliver from [19] curse and [20] damnation [21], those [22] whom [23] he hath chosen in [24] Christe [25] out of [26] mankynde, and [27] to [28] bryng [29] them by [30] Christe to

[1] p. 8. MS F.

This Afticle is rightly numbred in MS. tho' it has no Numb.

16. going before it.

[2] life MS. F. I.

[3] no Comma MS. [4] p. 15. A.

everlasting MS. A. F. [5] whereby F. H.

[6] no Parenthefis MS.
[7] fundations L.

[8] worlde MS. A. H. I. L.

[9] weare MS. [10] laide MS.

layde A. B. H. I. L.

[11] no Parenthesis MS.

[12] hee F.

[13] constantlie MS. constantly B.

[14] Comma A.
omit by his councell fe-

crete to us, A. B.
[15] counfell F. G. H. I, K.
Counfel L.

[16] Comma F. L. fecrett MS. fecret F.

[17] no Comma MS.

[18] delyver A.

read the Curse B.
[20] dampnation B.

[21] no Comma MS.

[22] whome MS. [23] hee F. [24] Chryste A.

[24] Chryste A. [25] owte MS.

[26] mankinde MS. A. I. mankind F.

[27] do H.

[28] brynge A. bringe MS. bringe MS. bring F. H.

[29] p. 14. B.

[30] Chryst A. Christ F.

cere [13]. Unde qui tam [14] præclaro dei beneficio sunt donati, illi [15] spiritu ejus [16], oportuno tempore operante, secundum propositum ejus [17], vocantur [18], vocationi per gratiam parent [19], justificantur gratis [20], adoptantur in
filios [21] Dei unigeniti [22] ejus Jesu Christi imagini efficiuntur conformes [23], in bonis operibus
sancte ambulant [24], & demum ex dei misericordia [25] pertingunt ad sempiternam [26] scelicitatem.

[137	Comma	Ν	15	
-		Colon V			

[14] preclaro MS.

15 Comma MS.

[16] no Comma MS.W.

[18] Colon W. [19] Colon W.

[20] Colon W.

[21] Comma MS.
Colon W.

omit Dei MS. W.

[23] Colon W.

[24] Golon W. [25] Comma MS.

[26] felicitatem MS.

[31] everlaftyng falvation, as [32] veffels made to [33] honour. [34] Wherfore [35] they which [36] be [37] indued with fo excellent a benefite of God, [38] be called [39] accordyng to Gods purpose by [40] his [41] spirite [42] workyng in due season [43]: they through grace [44] obey the [45] callyng [46]: they [47] be [48] justified [49] freely [50]: they [51] be made some of God by adoption [52]: they be made [53] lyke [54] the image of [55] his [56] onelye begotten [57] sonne [58] Jesus [59] Christe [60]: they walke [61] religiously in good [62] workes, and at length [63] by [64] Gods [65] mercy [66], they [67] attaine to [68] everlastyng selicitie.

[31] everlasting MS. F. I. L. everlastynge A. 32 vessells MS. vesselles A. [33] honoure A. [34] wheruppon A. whereupon B. wherefore F. H. I. [35] read fuch as have so A.B. [36] bee F. [37] endued MS. [38] infert geven unto them, A. B. bee F. [39] Comma A. according MS. F. [40] hys A. [41] fpirit MS. B. F. [42] working MS. F. woorking L. [43] full Point MS. A. B. [44] obeie MS. [45] callinge MS. callynge A. [46] Comma MS. A. B. [47] bee F. [48] justefied MS.

[49] frelie MS. freelye G. H. I. K. [50] Comma MS. A. B. [51] bee A. [52] Comma MS. A. B. [53] like MS. F. [54] p. 12. as also in C. D. E. G. H. I. K. [55] hys A. [56] onelie MS. onely A. B. F. L. onlye I. K. [57] fon F. [58] Jefu MS. A. B. [59] Chrift A. F. H. [60] Comma MS. A B. [61] religiouslie MS. religiouslye A. [62] works MS. F. [63] Comma A. [64] goddes A. [65] mercye MS. mercie B. H. I. [66] no Comma MS. [67] attayne A. B. H. I. L.

[68] everlasting MS. A. F.

Quemadmodum [27] prædestinationis [28], & electionis [29] nostræ in Christo pia consideratio, dulcis, suavis [30], & inessabilis consolationis [31] plena est [32], vere [33] piis [34], & [35] hijs qui sentiunt [36] in se vim spiritus Christi, sacta carnis [37], & membra [38], [39] quæ adhuc sunt super terram [40], mortisicantem, animumque ad [41] cælestia [42], & superna rapientem [43]. Tum quia sidem nostram de [44] æterna salute conse-

[27] predestinationis M.	is MS.	tionis	predeffin	[27]
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^{- [28]} no Comma MS. W.

mic juriality i

^[29] nostre MS.

^[30] no Comma W.

^[31] p. 7. MS.

^[32] na Comma W.

^[33] p. 15. W.

^[34] no Comma W.

^{[35].} his W.

^[36] Comma MS.

^[37] no Comma W.

^{38]} no Comma MS. W.

^{39]} que MS.

^[40] no Comma W.

^[41] celeftia MS.

^{42]} no Gomma NIS. W.

^{43]} Comma NIS. W.

[69] As the [70] Godly [71] confyderation of predeftination [72], and our election in [73] Christe [74], is full of [75] sweete [76], [77] pleasaunt [78], and [79] unspeakeable [80] comfort [81] to [82] Godly persons, and [83] such as feele in [84] them selves [85] the [86] working of the [87] spirite of [88] Christe, [89] mortisying the [90] workes of the [91] steffe, and [92] their [93] earthly emembers [94], and [95] drawing [96] up [97] their [98] mynde to [99] hygh and [100] heavenly [101] thinges, aswell [102] because it [103] doth

[69] p. 16. A. here is no Break. MS. 70 godlie MS. [71] consideration MS. A. B. F. [72] no Comma MS. F. [73] Chryst A. Christ B. F. [74] no Comma MS. [75] Swete MS. [76] no Comma MS. [77] pleafante MS. pleafant F. [78] no Comma MS. [79] unspeakable MS. [80] cumforte MS. comforte I. [81] Comma B.

[82] godlie MS. godlye H. I.

[84] themselves MS.

[86] woorkyng L. [87] spirit F.

[85] Comma MS. A. B.

[83] fuche L.

[88] Christ F.

mortifyinge A. mortifying B. G. H. I. K. L. 90 works MS. 191 flesh F. [92] theire MS. theyr A G. K. [93] earthlie MS. earthly A. F. G. H. L. K. L. [94] no Comma MS. [95] drawinge MS. drawyng B. G. H. I. K. [96] upp MS. [97] theyr G. K. L. 98] minde MS. B. G. mind F. [99] high MS. F. I. [100] heavenlie MS. [101] things MS. F.

thynges A. B. L.

[102] bicause M\$. [103] p. 15. B. doeth F.

[89] mortefienge MS.

quenda per Christum plurimum stabilit [45], atque consirmat, tum quia amo [46] rem nostrum in Deum [47] vehementer accendit [48]. Ita hominibus curiosis [49], carnalibus, & spiritu Christi destitutis, ab oculos perpetuo versari [50], [51] prædestinationis dei sententiam, pernitiosissimum est præcipitium, unde illos Diabolus [52] protrudit, vel in desperationem, vel in [53] æque pernitiosam [54] impurissimæ [55] vitæ securitatem [56], dein-

[45] no Comma W.

]46] p. 12.

[47] Comma MS. [48] Comma MS.

Colon W. [49] no Comma MS.

[50] no Comma W.

[51] predestinationis MS.

[52] pertrudit MS. [53] eque MS.

[54] impurissime MS.

[55] vite MS.

[56] a full Point; and Deinde begins a new Paragraph. W, [104] greatly [105] establyshe [106] and [107] confirme [108] their [109] fayth of eternall salvation [110] to be enjoyed through [111] Christ, as [112] because it [113] doth [114] fervently [115] kindle [116] their Love [117] towardes God: [118] So [119], for curious and [120] carnal persons, [121] lacking the [122] spirite of [123] Christe, to have [124] continually before [125] their [126] eyes [127] the sentence of Gods predestination, is a [128] most [129] daungerous [130] downefall [131], [132] whereby the [133] devyll [134] doth [135] thrust them [136] either into desperation [137], or into [138] reche [139] lessesse of most uncleane [140] living, no lesse [141] perilous [142] then desperation.

[104] greatelie MS. 126 eies MS. [105] establishe MS. B. H. I. 127 Comma MS. A. establish F. L. [128] moste G. H. I. K. [106] Comma A. [129] dangerous F. 107 confyrme A. [130] dounfall MS. [108] theyr G. I. K. L. downfall A. [109] faith MS. A. [131] no Comma MS. [110] Comma B. 132 wherbye MS. IIII] Christe MS. B. wherby A. B. [133] devill MS. F. I. Chryft A. 1112 bicause MS. 134 p. 9. F. [113] doeth F. doeth F. L. [114] ferventlie MS. [135] thruste MS. [115] kyndle H. [136] eyther A. B. I. L. [116] theyr L. [137] no Comma MS. [117] towards MS. F. [138] rechelesnes MS. [118] p. 9. MS. rechlefnes A. [119] no Comma MS. A. rechlesnesse B. F. I. K. [120] carnall MS. A. B. F. [139] p. 17. A. H, I. L. [140] livinge MS: lyvyng A. B. H. L. [121] lackyng A. B. L. [122] spirit MS. F. [141] perylous A. [123] Christ A. F. I. perillous B. F.

peryllous L.

[142] than A.

[124] continuallie MS.

[125] theyr A. G. K. L.

de promissiones Divinas sic amplecti oportet, ut nobis in Sacris Literis generaliter [57] proposita sunt [58], & dei voluntas in nostris actio [59] nibus ea sequenda est, quam in verbo Dei habemus [60], [61] deserte revelatam.

[57] proposite MS. [58] Colon W.

[59] p. 16. W.

[60] no Comma W.
[61] diserte MS. W.

Furthermore [143], [144] we [145] must [146] receave Gods [147] promises [148] in [149] such [150] wyse [151], as they be [152] generally set [153] foorth to us in [154] holy scripture [155]: and in our [156] doynges, that [157] wyl of [158] God is to be [159] followed, [160] which [161] we have [162] expresslye declared unto us in the [163] worde of God.

[143] no Comma MS.

144 wee F.

[145] muste A.

146] receive MS. F. L.

147] promyfes A. 148] Comma B.

[148] Comma B. [149] fuche B. L. [150] wife MS. F.

[151] no Comma MS. [152] generallie MS.

[153] forthe MS.

forth A. [154] holye B.

[155] Comma MS. A. B.

[156] doings MS. F. doinges A.

[157] will MS. F. wyll B. H. L.

[158] p. 11. L.

[159] followed MS. A. F. [160] whiche G. H. K. L.

161 wee F.

[162] expression MS.
expressely A.
expressy F. H. I. L.

[163] word A. F. woorde L.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS OCTAVUS.

[1] De speranda aterna Salute tantum in Nomine Christi.

SUnt [2] & illi anathematizandi [3], qui dicere audent [4] unumquemque in lege [5], aut fecta quam profitetur [6] esse servandum [7], modo juxta illam [8], & lumen [9] naturæ accurate vixerit [10], cum [11] sacræ [12] literæ tantum Jesu Christi nomen [13] prædicent, in quo satvos fieri homines oporteat [14].

[r] The Title runs, thus, Tantum in Nomine Christi speranda est æterna Salus. MS. W. only in MS. read eterna; and pue no Point after Salus.

[2] omit & W.

[3] no Comma MS: W.

[4] Comma MS. W! unumquenque W.

[5] no Comma W.

[6] Comma MS. W.

[7] Colon W.

[8] no Comma W.

of nature MS.

[10] Colon W.

11 facre MS.

12 litere MS.

[13] predicent MS.

[14] no Point MS.

The EIGHTEENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] obtaynyng eternall Salvation [3], [4] only by the Name of [5] Christe.

Hey also are to be had accursed [6], that pre-fume to [7] say, that [8] every man [9] shalbe faved by the [10] lawe or [11] feet [12] which he professeth, so that [13] he [14] be diligent to frame his [15] lyfe [16] according to [17] that [18] lawe [19], and the [20] lyght of nature. For [21] holy scripture [22] doth [23] set [24] out unto us [25] onely the name of Jesus [26] Christe, [27] whereby men must [28] be saved.

[1] p. 13. as also in C. D. E.

Instead of of read we must

trust to MS. A. B.

[2] obtaine MS. obteyne A. obtayne B. obtaining F. obtayning I.

[3] no Comma B. [4] onelie MS. onely F.L.

[5] Chryst A. Christ F.

[6] add and abhorred A. B. p. 16. B. begins at the faid Word and.

no Comma MS.

[7] faie MS. faye A. B. [8] everie MS. everye G. K.

[9] shall be MS. F.

[10] law F.

[11] fecte B.

12] whiche A. I. [13] hee F. [14] bee F.

[15] lief MS. life F.

[16] according MS. F. G. K. accordynge A.

[17] read the lawe MS. [18] law F.

[19] no Comma MS. [20] light MS. F.

[21] holye G. H. K.

[22] doeth B. dooth L.

[23] fett MS. [24] oute MS.

[25] onelie MS. only A.B.F. onlye G. H. I. K.

[26] Christ A. F.

[27] wherby MS. A.

[28] bee F.

ARTICULUS DECIMUS NONUS.

De Ecclesia [1].

[2] Cclesia Christi visibilis est [3] cœtus sidelium, in quo verbum Dei purum [4] prædicatur, [5] ut sacramenta, quoad ea [6] quæ [7] necessario [8] exigantur, juxta [9] Christi institutum [10] recte administrantur [11]. Sicut erravit Ecclesia [12] Hierosolimicana, Alexandrina [13], & Antioche [14]na [15]: ita & erravit Ecclesia Romana, non solum quoad agenda [16], & [17] ceremoniarum ritus, verum in hijs etiam [18] quæ credenda sunt [19].

[1] no Point W. [11] Comma MS. [2] Ecclesiæ W. but in Bod. 1. [12] Hierofolymitana tis made Ecclesia with a Pen. [3] cetus MS. 13 no Comma W. [4] predicatur MS. 14] p. 17. W. [5] et MS. W. [15] Comma MS. fol que MS. 16] no Comma W. [7] p. 8. MS. 17 cæremoniarum W. [8] exiguntur MS. W. [18] que MS. [9] p. 13. [10] Comma MS. 19 Comma MS.

THE NINETEENTH ARIDOLE

17 Of the [2] Church [3].

THE visible [4] Church of [5] Christe [6], is a congregation of [7] faythfull men, in the [8] which the pure [9] worde of God is preached] and the [10] Sacramentes be [111] duely ministred; [12] according to [13] Christes [14] ordinaunce [19] in [16] all those [17] thynges that of necessitie are requifite to the fame.

[18] As the [19] Church of [20] Hierusalem. Alexandria, and [21] Antioche [22] have erred: fo also the [23] Church of [24] Rome [25] hath erred, not [26] only in [27] their [28] lyving and [29] maner of Ceremonies [30], but also in mat-

ters of [31] fayth.

[1] p. 18. A. This Article has Number 20. affixed to it; so that there is no Arcicle 19. in MS.

[2] Churche MS. B. I. L.

[3] no full Point. MS.
[4] Churche MS. L.

[5] Chrift A. F.

[6] no Comma MS. [7] faithfull MS. F. faythfulll L.

[8] whiche A. L.

[9] word F. I. woorde L.

[10] facraments F.

[11] duelie MS. [12] accordinge MS. according F.

[13] Christs MS. F. [14] ordinance E. L.

[15] Comma A. B. F. L.

[16] al A. L.

[17] things MS. F. thinges B. I.

[18] p. 10. MS.

Here is no Break B. [19] Churche MS. A. [20] Jerusalem MS. A.

or a ciette MS.

Antioch F.

22] Comma A. 23] Churche A.

24] Roome MS.

25] read have A. B.

[26] onelie MS. onely F.

[27] theyr G. K. L. [28] living MS.A.F. G.I.K.

[29] manner MS.

[30] Colon MS. A. B.

[31] insert theyr A. insert their B. faith MS. F.

ARTICULUS VICECIMUS.

De [1] Ecclesia [2] Authoritate [3].

[4] Cclesse non licet quicquam instituere, quod verbo Dei [5] adversetur, [6] neque unum [7] Scripturæ locum sic exponere potest [8], ut alteri contradicat [9]. Quare licet Ecclesia sit Divinorum librorum testis [10], & conservatrix, atta-

[1] Ecclefie MS.

[2] Autoritate W. 3] no Point MS.

[4] insert Habet Ecclefia ritus statuendi jus,& in fidei controversiis autoritatem, quam-

vis W.

[5] insert scripto MS. W.

[6] nec W.

[7] Scripture MS. [8] no Comma MS.

[9] Comma MS.

[10] no Comma W.

The TWENTIETH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] the [3] Aucthoritie of the [4] Church.

[5] THE Church hath power to decree Rites or Ceremonies, and [6] aucthoritie in controversies of [7] fayth: And yet it is not lawfull for the [8] Church [9] to [10] ordayne [11] any [12] thyng that is [13] contrarie to [14] Gods [15] worde [16] written, [17] neyther [18] may it so [19] expounde one place of [20] Scripture, that it be [21] repug[22] naunt to [23] another. [24] Wherefore [25], although the [26] Churche be a [27] witnesse [28] and a [29] keper [30] of holy

p. 17. B. (1) p. 17. B. (1)

This Article has Numb. 21.

affixed to it. MS.

[2] thauthority MS.

[3] authority F.

[4] Churche MS. G. H. I.

- K. L.

[5] Thefe Words [The Church hath power to decree Rites or ceremonies, and authoritie in controversies of fayth: and yet] are not in MS. A. B. G. H.

[6] authority F.

[7] faith F.

[8] Churche L.

[9] Comma B.

[10] ordeine MS.
ordeyne A.
ordaine F.

[11] anie MS.

[12] thinge MS. thing B. F. H. L. [13] contrary A. F. I. K. [14] P. 14. as also in C. D. E.

[15] word F. G. K. woorde L.

[16] wrytten B.

[17] neither MS. F.

[18] maye B. I.

[19] expound MS. F. [20] p. 14. G. H. I. K.

[21] repugnant MS. F. L. [22] p. 19. A.

22] p. 19. A. 23] an other MS. A.

[24] wherfore MS. G. H. I.

[25] no Comma MS. I. L.

[26] Church MS. B. F. G. K.

[27] wittnes MS. witnes A. F. wytnesse G. K.

[28] Comma A.

[29] keeper F. L.

[30] p. 12. L.

men ut adversus eos nihil decernere, ita præter illos[11], nihil credendum de necessitate salutis[12] debet obtrudere.

[11] no Comma W.

[12] Comma MS.

ARTICULUS VICECIMUS PRIMUS.

De [1] Authoritate Conciliorum Generalium [2].

'Eneralia [3] concilia [4], fine justu [5], & vofunt, & ubi convenerint, quia ex hominibus

[1] Autoritate MS. W.

[2] no Point MS.

[3] confilia MS.

[4] no Comma W. [5] no Comma MS. W.

[6] p. 18. W.

[31] writ: yet [32], as it ought not to decree [32] any [34] thing [35] agaynst the same, so [36] besides the same, ought it not to [37] enforce any [38] thing to [39] be [40] beleved for [41] necessitie of salvation.

[31] writt MS. wryt A. [32] no Gomma MS. A. F. [33] anye L. [34] thyng A. B. G. H. K. L. [35] against MS. F. I. L. agaynste A.	[36] befydes A. B. G. K. [37] inforce MS. [38] thinge MS. thyng B. G. K. [39] bee F. [40] beleeved F. L. [41] neceffity F.
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The TWENTY FIRST ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] the [3] Authoritie of [4] Generall [5] Counfelles.

[6] Enerall [7] Counfels [8] may not [9] be [10] gathered [11] together without the [12] Commaundement and [13] wyll of princes [14]. And when they be [15] gathered [16] together ([17] forasmuche as they [18] be an

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[1] This Article has Numb. 22.
                                       maye B.
affixed to it. MS.
                                  9 bee F.
  [2] thauthority MS.
                                 fio] geathered L.
  [3] authority F.
                                  [11] togeather L.
  [4] general L.
                                  [12] comaundement MS.
  [5] councells MS.
                                        commandement F.
      counfels A.
                                  [13] will MS. F.
      councels B. F.
                                        wyl I.
  [6] general I.
                                  14 Comma MS.
                                   [15] geathered L.
  [7] councells MS.
       councels B. F.
                                   [16] togeather L.
      counselles H. I. L.
                                   [17] forafmuch MS. F. I.
  [8] maie MS.
                                   [18] bee A. F.
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[7] conftant, qui non omnes spiritu [8], & [9] verbo Dei reguntur, & errare possunt, & interdum errarunt [10] etiam in [11] his [12] quæ ad normam pietatis pertinent [13]: [14] ideoque [15] quæ ab illis constituuntur, ut ad salutem necessaria, neque robur habent, neque [16] authoritatem, nisi ostendi pos [17] sint e Sacris Literis esse desumpta.

[7] tis corrected constent in Bod. 2. for constant.

[8] no Comma MS. W.

[9] verbis MS.W. but in MS. there is a Line drawn under it, and in the Margin verbo is written, as I verily think, in A. Bp. Parker's Hand. In Bod. 1. 'tis corrected into verbo.

[10] Comma MS. W.

[11] hijs MS. W. [12] que MS.

[13] Comma MS.
[14] read ideo without que
MS. W.

[15] que MS.

[16] autoritatem W.

17] P. 14.

[19] affemblie of [20] men, [21] wherof [22] all be not governed with the [23] spirite and [24] word of God) they [25] may erre, and [26] sometyme have erred, even in [27] thinges [28] parteynyng [29] unto God [30]. [31] Wherfore [32], [33] thinges [34] ordayned [35] by them [36] as [37] necessary to salvation, have [38] neyther strength nor [39] aucthoritie, unlesse it [40] may be declared [41] that they be taken [42] out of [43] Holy Scripture [44].

[19] affembly A. G. H. K. affembly F. L.

[20] menne A.

[21] whereof A. B. F. I. L.

[22] al I.

[23] fpiritt MS.
fpirit F.

[24] worde MS. B. H. I. L.

[25] maie MS. maye A. B.

[26] fumtyme MS. fometime A. F. I.

[27] things MS. F. L. thynges A. B. G. K.

[28] pertaininge MS.
perteynyng A.
pertaynyng B.
parteining H. I.
parteyning L.
pertaining F.

[29] read to B.
[30] Comma MS.

[31] Wherefore A. F. G. H.

[32] no Comma MS. F. [33] things MS. F. thynges A. L.

[34] ordeined MS. G. H. K. ordeyned A. I. L. ordained F.

[35] p. 18. B. [36] p. 20. A.

Comma A. B.
[37] neceffarie MS. A. L.

[38] neither MS. F. nether A.

[39] authoritie MS. authority F.

[40] maie MS. maye A. B.

[41] Comma A. B.

[42] owt MS. [43] holie MS.

[44] no full Point MS.

ARTICULUS VICESIMUS SECUNDUS.

[1] De Purgatorio.

Octrina Romanensium de purgatorio, de [2]indulgentiis, de veneratione [3], & adoratione [4], tum imaginum [5], tum reliquiarum, [6] nec non de invocatione sanctorum, res est futilis, inaniter consicta, & nullis Scripturarum testimoniis [7], innititur [8]: [9] immo verbo Dei [10] contradicit. [11]

[1] p. 9. MS.

2] indulgenciis MS.

[3] no Comma MS. W. [4] no Comma MS. W.

[5] no Comma W.

[6] necnon MS,

[7] no Comma MS. W.

[8] Comma MS. W. [9] imo MS. W.

[10] pernitiose was here writ-

ten, but 'tis struck out again. MS.

against the last Words of this Article are these Letters——itur——but 'tis hard to guess, what the rest should be; unless itur should be legitur, and MS. should be understood, as if the MS. were referred to.

The TWENTY SECOND ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Purgatorie.

THE [3] Romishe doctrine [4] concernyng [5] purgatorie, pardons [6], [7] worshipping [8] and adoration [9] as well of [10] images [11], as of reliques [12], and also invocation of [13] Saintes, is a [14] fonde [15] thing [16], [17] vainly [18] invented, and grounded [19] upon no [20] warrantie of Scripture [21], but rather [22] repugnaunt to the [23] worde of God.

[1] p. 11. MS.

This Article has Numb.23,

affixed to it: MS.

[2] purgatorye MS.

purgatory A. F.
[3] Romyshe A. G. K.
Romysh B.
Romish F.

[4] concerninge MS. concerning B. F.

[5] purgatory A.F. [6] no Comma MS.

[7] worshipinge MS.
worshippyng A. G. K.
worshyppyng B.

[8] Comma B.

[9] Comma B. F. aswel A. L.

[10] ymages A.

[12] no Comma MS.

[13] p. 11. F. Saints MS. F. [14] fond A. F. I.

[15] thinge MS. thyng A. B.

[16] no Comma MS.
[17] vainelye MS.
vainely B. F.
vaynly L.

[18] for invented read fay-

[19] uppon MS.

[20] warrant MS. warrauntie A. H. I. L. warranty F.

[21] no Comma MS. [22] repugnant MS. F.

[23] word MS. A. F.

ARTICULUS VICESIMUS TERTIUS.

[1] De Vocatione Ministrorum.

ON licet [2] cuiquam fumere sibi munus publice [3] prædicandi, aut administrandi Sacramenta in Ecclesia, nisi prius fuerit [4] ad hæc obeunda [5] legitime vocatus [6], & missus [7]. Atque illos [8] legitime vocatos & missos existimare debemus, qui per homines, quibus potestas vocandi ministros [9], atque mittendi in vineam Domini [10],

[1] p. 19. W.

The Title runs thus, Nemo in Ecclesia ministret nisi vocatus. MS. W. only in MS. put a Comma after ministret, and after vocatus.

[2] Tho''t is plainly enough printed cuiquam in W. yet because the quam was expr ssed (as in old Prints't is usual) by a q with a Stroke thro' the lower Part of it, and a Mark for an m above it;

'tis made still more plain in Bod. 1.
by adding with a Pen am to the
Mark above.

[3] predicandi MS.

[4] read adhec MS.

[5] Comma MS.

6] no Comma MS. W.

7] Comma MS.

[8] Comma W.

[9] no Comma W.

The TWENTY THIRD ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Ministryng in the Congregation.

T is not [3] lawful for [4] any man [5] to take [6] upon [7] hym [8] the Office of publique [9] preachyng, or [10] ministring the [11] Sacramentes in the congregation, before [12] he [13] be [14] lawfully called [15] and fent [16] to execute the fame. And those [17] we ought to judge [18] lawfully called [19] and [20] fent [21], [22] whiche be chosen and called to this [23] worke [24] by [25] men [26] who have [27] publique [28] auchoritie [29] geven unto them in the con-

[1] p. 15. as also in C. D. E. G. H. I. K.

This Article has Numb. 24.

affixed to it. MS.

The Title stands thus, No Man may minister in the Congregation, except he be called. MS. A. B. only there is no full Point after called. MS.

[2] ministring F. G. H. I. K.

- [3] lawfull MS. A. B. F. G. H. I. K. L.
 - [4] anie MS. [] Comma B.

[6] uppon MS. [7] him MS. F. G. H. I. K.

[8] thoffice MS.

[9] preaching MS. F. I. [10] ministryng A. G. H. I.

[11] Sacraments MS. F.

- 12 hee F. bee F.
- laufullie MS.
- 15 Comma F.
- [16] p. 21. A. [17] wee F.
- 181 lawefully B.
- [19] read and which be fent. called and chosen to L.
 - 20 fente MS.
 - 21] no Comma MS.
 - [22] which MS. A. F. I.
 - [23] p. 19. B. woorke L.
 - [24] Comma MS. p. 13. L.
 - 25 [26] Comma A. B. F. L. [27] publike A.
 - [28] authoritie MS. authority F.
 - [29] given MS. F;

publice concessa est in Ecclesia, [11] coaptati fuerint [12], & asciti in [12] hoc opus.

[11] cooptati MS. W.

before hoc, but was fruck out a-[12] no Comma W. gain. MS.

[13] The Word hos was written

ARTICULUS VICESIMUS QUARTUS.

[1] De Precibus publicis dicendis in Lingua Vulgari.

Ingua populo non intellecta [2], publicas in Ecclesia preces [3] peragere, aut sacramenta admini[4]strare, verbo Dei [5], & [6] primitivæ [7] Ecclesiæ consuetudini [8] plane repugnat [9].

^[1] The Title stands thus, Agendum est in Ecclesia Lingua quæ fit Populo nota. MS. W. only in MS. put a Comma after Lingua, and read que:

^[2] no Comma W.

^[3] Comma MS.

^[5] no Comma W.

^[6] primitive MS.

^[7] Ecclefie MS.

^[8] Comma MS.

¹⁹¹ Comma MS.

gregation [20], to [31] call and [32] fende [33] ministers [34] into the [35] Lordes [36] vineyarde.

[30] no Comma MS.

[31] cal L. [32] fend MS. B. F.

[33] mynysters A. [34] for into read in I.

[35] Lords F. [36] vineyearde MS. vynevarde A. vineyard F.

The TWENTY FOURTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Speaking in the Congregation, in [3] such a Tongue as the People understandeth.

IT is a [4] thing [5] playnely [6] repugnaunt to the [7] worde of God [8], [9] and the custome of the [10] primitive [11] Churche [12], to have publique [13] prayer in the [14] Churche, or to minister the [15] Sacramentes [16] in a [17] tongue not understanded of the people.

[1] This Article has Numb. 25. affixed to it. MS.

The Title stands thus, Men must speake in the Congregation, in fuch Tongue as the People understandeth. MS. A. B. only in B. read a Tongue, with a Comma after Tongue; and in MS. put no Comma after Congregation, and read Tonge.

[2] speaking F. I.

13 fuche H. I. L. [4] thyng A. G. H. K. L.

[5] plainelie MS. playnly B. L. plainely F. I.

[6] repugnante MS. repugnant F.

[7] word A. F. G. K. woorde L.

18 no Comma MS.

[9] omit these Words, and the custome of the primitive churche. A. B.

[10] primative G H. I. K. L.

[11] church MS. F. G. I. K.

12 no Comma MS. 13] praier MS.

[14] church MS. A. B. F. [15] Sacraments MS. F. L.

[16] Comma G. H. K. L.

[17] tonge MS.

ARTICULUS VICESIMUS QUINTUS.

[1] De Sacramentis [2]

S'Acramenta a Christo instituta, non tantum sunt [3] notæ professionis Christianorum, sed certa [4] quædam potius testimonia, & essicatia signa [5] gratiæ, atque [6] bonæ in nos voluntatis Dei, per [7] quæ invisibiliter ipse in [8] nos operatur, nostramque [9] sidem in se [10] non solum excitat, verumetiam consirmat.

Duo a Christo Domino nostro in Evangelio insti-

[1] p. 20. W.

[2] a full Point W.

[3] note MS.
[4] quedam MS.

[5] gratie MS.

[6] bone MS.

[7] que MS. [8] read nobis MS. W.

[9] p. 10. MS.

The TWENTY FIFTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] Sacramentes.

She not [7] onely badges [8] or tokens of [9] Christian mens profession; [10] But rather they be [11] certaine [12] sure witnesses [13] and effectuals signes of grace [14] and [15] Gods good [16] wyll [17] rowardes us [18], by the [19] which [20] he [21] doth worke [22] invisible [23] in us, [24] and [25] doth not [26] only quicken, but also strengthen and [27] consirme our [28] fayth in [29] hym.

There are two [30] Sacramentes [31] or [32]-dayned of [33] Christe our [34] Lorde in the

[19] whiche B. H. [1] This Article has Numb. 26. [20] hee F. [21] doeth F. L. offixed to it. MS. 2 fagraments MS. F. [22] invisibly A. F. G. H. [3] facraments F. [4] ordeined MS. I. K. L. invisible B. ordeyned A. L. ordained F. [23] p. 16. as also in C. D. E. G. H. I. K. [5] Christ A. F. [24] p. 12. F. 6 bee F. 25 doeth F. L. [7] onelye MS. [26] onelie MS. only A. G. K. onlye B. I. onelye A. [8] read and tokens A. B. onlye B. [9] Christen A. onely F. H. [27] confyrme L. 10 p. 22. A. [28] faith MS. F. [11] certeyne A. [29] him MS. F. G. K. certayne B. H. L. [12] fuer MS. [30] facraments MS. F. L. [13] Comma MS. A. B. F. [31] ordeined MS. L. [14] Comma MS. A. B. ordeyned A. G. H. I. K.

ordained F. [32] p. 20. B.

[33] Christ F. L.

[34] Lord F.

[15] p. 12. MS. [16] will MS. F.

17 towards F.

[18] no Comma MS.

tuta funt [11] Sacramenta, scilicet [12], Baptis-

mus [13], & [14] Cœna Domini [15].

Quinque illa vulgo nominata Sacramenta [16]: fcilicet [17], Confirmatio, [18] Pœnitentia, Ordo, Matrimonium, & Extrema Unctio, pro Sacramentis Evangelicis [19] habenda non funt, ut [20] quæ [21], [22] partim [23], a prava Apostolorum imitatione [24] profluxe [25] runt, partim [26] vitæ status sunt in Scripturis quidem probati [27]: sed Sacramentorum eandem cum Baptismo [28], & [29] Cœna Domini rationem non habentes [30], [31] ut [32] quæ signum aliquod visibile [33], seu [34] cæ

[11] Comma MS,

12] no Comma MS. W.

[13] no Comma MS. W. [14] cena MS.

[15] no Point MS.

[17] no Comma MS. [18] penitentia MS.

[19] Comma MS.

[20] que MS.

[21] no Gomma MS. W.

tag patim W. but in Bod. 1.

is corrected with a Pen into partim by putting an tower head between the a and the t. But this fas also another Correction in the fecond Article, of which I there took potice) seems to have been made

with paler Ink, and in a different Hand from the rest.

[23] no Comma MS. W. [24] profluxerint MS.

[24] profluxerint M [25] p. 21. W.

[26] vite MS.

27] Comma MS. W.

28] no Comma MS. W.

[29] cena MS. [30] Colon W.

[31] insert quomodo nec pœ-

nitentia, W.

In MS. quomodo nec penitentia, is written in this place, but a red Line is drawn underneath.

[32] que MS.

[33] no Comma W.

[34] ceremoniam MS.

[26] Gospell, that is to [36] say, Baptisme [47].

and the supper of the [38] Lorde [39].

[40] Those [41] fyve [42], [43] commonly calded [44] Sacramentes, that is to [45] fay [46], confirmation, [47] Penaunce, Orders, [48] Matrimonie, and [49] extreme [50] Unction, are not to [51] be [52] compted for [53] Sacramentes of the [54]. Gospel, [55] being [56] such as have [57] growen [58] partly of the [59] corrupt [60] following of the [61] Apostles, [62] partly are states of [63] life [64] alowed in the Scriptures: but yet have not [65] lyke nature of [66] facramentes [67] with Baptisme and the [68] Lordes Supper [69], for that they have not any visible signe [70] or [71] cere-

[35] Ghospell MS. Gospel F. L.

[36] faie MS. faye A.

[37] no Comma A. [38] Lord F.

[39] Comma MS.

[40] here doth not begin a new Paragraph. MS.

[41] five MS. B. F. I.

42 no Comma MS. F. [43] comonly MS. commonlye A. L.

[44] facraments MS. F.

[45] faie MS.

[46] full Point MS. [47] penance MS. F.

[48] matrimony A. [49] extreame F.

[50] read annoyling MS. B. read annoylyng A.

[51] bee F.

[52] read accompted A. B. counted F.

[53] facraments MS. F.

[54] Gospell MS. A. B.

[59] beyng B. L.

[56] fuche L.

[57] growne F.

[58] Comma MS. B. F. partlie MS.

[59] corrupte MS. A. [60] following MS. F.

folowyng A.

[61] Apostells MS.

[62] partlie MS. [63] lief MS.

lyfe A. L. [64] allowed MS. F.

[65] like MS. F.

[66] facraments MS. F. L.

[67] p. 23. A. Comma B. [68] Lords F.

[69] Here is a full Point in MS. A. B. and then in A. B. follow thefe Words, In which fort, neyther is penaunce, for that it hath not, &c. only in B. read neither.

[70] Comma A. B.

[71] ceremony MS. F.

remoniam a Deo [35] institutum [36], non [37] habeant.

Sacramenta non in hoc instituta sunt [38] a Christo [39] ut spectarentur, aut circumferrentur, sed ut rite illis [40] uteremur [41], & in hijs duntaxat [42] qui digne percipiunt [43] salutarem habent effectum [44]: Qui vero indigne percipiunt, damnationem (ut inquit Paulus) sibi ipsis acquirunt [45].

[35] institutam MS. W. [36] no Comma MS. W.

[37] habeat W. In MS. 'tis written heat, with a Dash over the Head of the t; so that I cannot absolutely determin, whether it was intended for habeat or habeant: but there is no Point after that Word.

[38] Comma MS. W. [39] Comma MS. W.

[40] uterentur MS. But the Top of the t is scratched out, and an Hole is thereby made in the Paper. So that 'twas probably defigned by Authority to be changed into uteremur.

[41] Colon W.

[42] p. 16. [43] Gomma MS. W.

[44] Comma MS.
[45] Comma MS.

monie [72] ordayned of God.

[73] The [74] Sacramentes [75] were not [76] or-dayned of [77] Christ [78] to [79] be [80] galed [81] upon [82], or to [83] be [84] caryed [85] about [86]; but that [87] we [88] should [89] duely use them [90]. [91] And in [92] such [93] only [94], as [95] worthyly [96] receave the same, they have a [97] whole [98] some [99] effect [100] or operation [101]; But they that [102] receave them [103] unworthyly [104], purchase to [105] them selves [106] damnation [107], as [108] S. [109] Paul [110] sayth.

[72] Comma A. B.
ordeined MS.
ordeyned A. L.
ordained F.

[73] p. 14. L.

[74] facraments MS. F.

[75] weare MS.

[76] ordeined MS. ordeyned A. H. I. L. ordained F.

[77] Chryst A. Christe B. L.

[78] Comma B.

[79] bee F.

[80] gazed F.

[81] uppon MS. L. [82] no Comma MS.

[83] bee F.

[84] caried MS. carried F. L.

[85] aboute MS. [86] Comma F.

[87] wee F.

[88] shoulde MS. A. G. H. I

I. K. L.

[89] duelie MS. [90] Semicolon F.

[91] here begins a new Para-

graph. A. B.

[92] fuche H. I. L.
[93] onelie MS.
onlye A. B. H. I.
onely F. L.

[94] no Comma MS. A.

[95] worthelie MS. worthely A. worthily F.

[96] receive MS. F. receyve B. L.

[97] wholfome MS. A. F. L.

[98] p. 21. B.

[99] effecte MS. A.

[100] read and operation with a full Point after the same. A. for the it should have been printed and, yet either the n is inverted, or else a u is put for it by a Mistake of the Press. In B. read and operation:

[101] Comma MS.

[102] receive MS. F. L.

[103] unworthely MS.
unworthelye A.
unworthily F.
unwoorthily L.
[104] no Comma MS.

[105] themselves F.

[106] Comma B.

[107] no Comma MS.

[108] à fuil Point G. K. Sainte MS. Saint A. B. I. L.

[109] Paule MS. A. B.

[110] faithe MS. faith A. F. fayeth B.

ARTICULUS VICESIMUS SEXTUS.

[1] De vi Institutionum Divinarum, quod eam non tollat Malitia Ministrorum.

Uamvis in Ecclesia visibili[2], bonis mali semper [3] sunt admixti, atque interdum ministerio Verbi [4], & [5] Sacramentorum administrationi [6] præsint, tamen cum non suo [7], sed Christi nomine agant, ejusque mandato [8], & [*] au-

[4] no Comma W. [5] p. 22. W.

[6] prefint MS.

[7] no Comma MS. W.
[8] no Comma MS. W.
[*] autoritate W.

^[1] The Title stands thus, Ministrorum Malitia non tollit Efficatiam institutionum Divinarum. MS. W.

^[2] no Comma W.

The TWENTY SIXTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] unworthynesse of the Ministers, [3] which [4] hinder not the effect of the [5] Sacramentes.

Lthough in the visible [6] Churche [7] the [8] evyl be ever [9] myngled with the good, and [10] sometime the [11] evyll have [12] cheefe [12] aucthoritie in the ministra 14 tion of the [15] worde and [16] Sacramentes: yet [17] forafmuche as they [18] do not the same in [19] theyr owne [20] name [21], [22] but in [23] Christes, and

[1] This Article has Numb. 27.

affixed to it. MS.

The Title stands thus, The wickednes of the ministers, doth not take away the effe-Auall operation of Gods ordinaunces. MS. A. B. only in B. read wickednesse; and in MS. put no Comma after ministers, and read awaie and ordinances,

[2] unwoorthynesse L.

[3] whiche L.

[4] hynder L.
[5] facraments F.

[6] Church MS. A. F.

7 P. 24. A. Comma B.

[8] evill MS. F. evyll B. G. H. I. K. L.

[9] mingled MS. F. [10] sometyme B. I.

[11] evill MS. F. evyl G. K.

[12] chief MS. chiefe A. B. F.

[13] authoritie MS. F. [14] p. 17. as also in C. D. E G. H. I. K.

[15] word F. woorde L.

[16] Sacraments MS. F.

[17] Comma A.

forasmuch C. D. E. F. H. I.

for as much L.

[18] doo L.

[19] their MS. B. C. D. E. F. I. L.

[20] in MS. the Word natures was written in this Place; but 'twas blotted out again (Ipresume) before the Word name was written.

21 no Comma C. D. E.

2.2 read but do minister by Chrystes commission and au-Ethoritie, MS. A. B. only in MS. read Christs and authoritie; and in B. read Christes.

[23] Christs F.

H

thoritate ministrent, illorum ministerio uti licet, cum in Verbo Dei audiendo, tum in Sacramentis percipiendis [9]. Neque per illorum [10] malitiam [11], effectus institutorum Christi tollitur, aut gratia [12] Donorum Dei minuitur [13], quoad eos qui side [14], & rite sibi oblata percipiunt, [15] quæ

[11] no Comma MS. W. [12] Donorum is marked un- derneath in Bod. 2, and in the	Margin over against it is writtenbest (perhaps for abest) MS. [13] no Gomma MS. [14] no Gomma W. [15] que MS.
	A service and the service of the ser
	The sent to enter the entertains and the entertains
The second control was	
-10 = 3 = F.1	
The second of th	
LATE OF THE SECTION AND ADDRESS AND ADDRES	/

[24] do minister by his commission and [25] and horitie, [26] we [27] may [28] use [29] theyr [30] ministerie [31], both in [32] hearing the [33] word of God [34], and in the [35] receaving of the [36] Sacra[37]mentes. [38] Neyther is the [39] effect of [40] Christes ordinaunce taken [41] away by [42] theyr [43] wickednesse, nor the grace of Gods [44] gystes diminished from [45] such [46] as by [47] fayth [48] and [49] ryghtlye [50] do [51] receave the [52] Sacramentes ministred unto them [53], [54] which be [55] effectuall [56], [57] be-

[24] doe F.
[25] authority F.
[26] wee F.
[27] maye MS. A.
[28] p. 13. MS.
[29] their MS. A. B. C. D.
E. F. H. I. L.
[30] miniffrie MS.

ministery A. F.
[31] no Comma A.

[32] hearynge A.

hearyng B. H. L.

[33] worde MS. A B. I.

woorde L.

[34] no Comma MS. [35] receiving MS. F. receyvng A. L.

[36] Sacraments MS. F.

[37] p. 13. F.

[38] neither MS. C. D. E. F.

[39] effecte MS. C. D. E.I. L.

[40] read Christs ordinance MS. F.

read gods ordinaunce B.

[41] awaie MS. awaye A. L. [42] their MS. B. C. D. E.

F. I. L.

[43] wickednes MS. A.

[44] gifts MS. F. giftes I.

[45] fuche A. B. I.

[46] Gomma B. F. [47] faithe MS.

faith F. [48] Comma B. F.

[49] rightlie MS. rightly B. F. ryghtly C. D. E. I. L.

[50] Comma F. doe F. doo L.

omit do MS. A. B.

[51] receive MS. F. receyve L.

[52] Sacraments MS. F.

[53] no Comma MS.

[54] p. 22. B. [55] effectual A.

[56] no Comma MS. A. B.

[57] bicause MS.

propter institutionem Christi [16], & promissionem [17] efficatia sunt, licet per malos admini-

strentur.

Ad [18] Ecclesiæ tamen disciplinam [19] pertinet, ut in malos ministros inquiratur, accusenturque ab [20] his [21], qui eorum slagitia noverint, atque tandem justo convicti judicio [22] deponantur.

[16] no Comma MS. W.

[17] efficacia MS. W. [18] ecclesie MS.

[19] pertinent W.but in Bod.

1. tis made pertinet, by striking

out the last n with a Pen.

[20] hijs MS. W.

[22] Comma W.

cause of [58] Christes institution and [59] promyses although they be ministred by [60] evyll men.

Nevertheleffe [61], it [62] apparteineth to the discipline of the [63] Churche [64], that [65] enquirie be made of [66] evyll ministers [67], and that [68] they be accused by those that have knowledge of [69] theyr offences [70]: and [71] finally [72], [73] beyng [74] founde [75] gyltie [76] by [77] just [78] judgement [79], be deposed.

instead of evyll ministers [58] Christs MS. F. [59] promise MS. C. D. E. read such A. suche B. [67] no Comma MS. [60] evill MS. F. [68] p. 25. A. 1691 their MS. B. C. D. E. F. evyl L. I. L. [61] no Comma MS. [70] Comma MS. A. B. [62] apperteineth MS. apperteyneth A. [71] finallye MS. appertayneth B. 72 no Comma F. apparteyneth C. D. E. [73] being MS. F. H. I. L. [74] found F. giltie MS. appertaineth F. [63] Church MS. F. guiltie F. [76] Comma F. L. [64] no Comma MS. [77] juste B. [65] enquiry A. [78] judgemente MS. inquirie B. I. inquiry F. H. L. judgment F. [66] evill MS. F. H. [79] no Comma MS. L.

evyl C. D. E. L.

ARTICULUS VICECIMUS SEPTIMUS.

[1] De Baptismo [2].

Aptismus non est tantum professionis signum [3], ac discriminis nota, qua Christiani a non Christianis discernantur, sed etiam est signum regenerationis, per quod [4], tanquam per instrumentum [5], recte Baptismum [6] suscipientes, [7] ecclesiæ inseruntur, promissiones de remissione peccatorum [8], atque adoptione nostra in silios Dei [9] per Spiritum Sanctum visibiliter obsignantur, sides

[1] p. 17.

p. 23. W.

[3] no Comma W.

[4] no Comma MS. W.

[6] fusspitientes W. But in Bod. 1. 'tis corrected into suscipientes. But in Bod. 2. susspitientes is marked underneath, and in

the Margin is written (if I do not mistake the Letters) sic-----MS. probably for sic in MS. intimating, that that gross Fault was in the MS. as well as in the printed Edition of Wolf.

[7] ecclesie MS.

[8] no Comma MS. W.

[9] Comma A.

The TWENIY SEVENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of Baptisme [2].

BAptisme is not [3] only a signe of profession, and marke of difference, [4] whereby Christian men are discerned from [5] other that be not Christened [6]: but [7] is also a [8] signe of regeneration [9] or [10] newe [11] byrth, [12] whereby [13], as by an [14] Instrument [15], they that [16] receave Baptisme [17] ryghtly, are grasted into the [18] Church [19]: the [20] promises of the [21] forgevenesse of [22] sinne, and [23] of [24] our adoption to be the sonnes of God, by the holy [25] ghost [26], are [27] visibly signed and sealed

[1] p. 15. L. [13] no Comma MS. A. C. D. This Article has Numb. 28. [14] instrumente MS. affixed to it. MS. [2] Comma F. [15] no Comma MS. [3] onelie MS. [16] receive MS. F. onlye A. B. I. --- receyve L. [17] rightlie MS. onely F. L. 4 wherby MS. rightly C. D E. F. Is others F. rightlye I. [6] Semicolon MS. ryghtlye L [7] read it is A. B. F. 18 Churche MS. A. in MS, it had been written [19] Comma A. B. [20] promyses B. L. [21] forgivenes MS. it is, but the Word it is blotted [8] read figne and feale of forgevenes A. our newe byrth, A. B. only in forgivenesse F. B. read birth. 22 Iynne L. [9] Comma L. 23 omit of A. B. 10 new F. [24] oure MS. [11] birthe MS. ghoste MS. L. birth F. 26] no Comma MS. A. [12] wherby MS. B. [27] visiblie MS.

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confirmatur, & vi [10] Divinæ invocationis [11]

gratia augetur.

Baptismus parvulorum omnino in Ecclesia retinendus est, ut qui cum Christi institutione optime congruat.

[10] Divine MS.

[11] Comma MS. A.

ARTICULUS VICECIMUS OCTAVUS.

De [1] Cana Domini [2].

[3] COENA Domini non est tantum [4] signum [5] mutuæ [6] benevolentiæ Christianorum

[1] cena MS.
[2] no Point MS.

[3] cena MS.

[4] Comma MS.

[6] benevolentie MS.

[28]: [29] fayth is [30] confyrmed [31], and grace [32] encreased [33] by vertue of [34] pray[35]er unto God. [36] The baptisme of [37] young [38] Chyldren [39], is in [40] anye [41] wyse to be [42] retayned in the [43] Churche, as [44] most [45] agreeable [46] with [47] the institution of 48 Christe.

[28] Semicolon MS. Comma A. B. L.

[29] faithe MS.

[30] confirmed MS. A. B. F.

[31] Semicolon MS. Colon C. D. E. F.

[32] increased MS. B. C. D.

E. F.

[33] p. 23. B. Comma A.

[34] praier MS. [35] p. 18. as also in C. D. E. D. E.

[36] here beginneth a new Paragraph. MS.

[37] yonge MS. yong F.

[38] children MS. C. D. E. F.

[39] no Comma MS. F.

[40] any MS. A. B. C. D. E.

[41] wife MS. F. [42] reteined MS. reteyned A. L. retained B. F.

[43] church MS. F.

[44] moste L.

[45] agreable MS. A. B. C.

[46] p. 26. A.

47 thinstitution MS.

[48] Christ A. F.

The TWENTY EIGHTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] Lordes Supper [3].

THE Supper of the [4] Lord [5], is not [6] only a figne of the Love that Christians ought

[1] p. 14. MS. This Article has Numb. 29. affixed to it. MS.

[2] Lords F. 3 no Point MS [4] Lorde MS. A. B. I.

[5] no Comma MS. F. I. L.

[6] onelie MS. onely A. F. L. onlye B.

inter sese, verum potius est [7] Sa[8] cramentum [9] nostræ per mortem Christi redemptionis [10].

[11] Atque adeo [12], rite, digne [13], & cum fide fumentibus, panis quem frangimus [14] est communicatio corporis Christi [15]: similiter poculum benedictionis, est communicatio sanguinis Christi [16].

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	p. 12. MS. p. 24. W.	- 15 T	
[9]	nostre MS.		r .
[II]	There is no 1	Break in	this
Place.	MS. W.		

[12] no Comma MS. W.

[13] no Comma W.

[14] Comms W. [15] Comms MS. [16] no Point MS.

38 A 1 3 B 40 A 2. L

to have [7] among [8] them selves one to [9] another: But rather [10] it is a sacrament of our redemption by [11] Christes death [12]. [13] Insomuch [14] that to [15] suche as [16] ryghtlye, [17] worthylye, and with [18] sayth [19] receave the same, the bread [20] whiche [21] we breake [22] is a [23] parttakyng of the [24] body of [25] Christe [26], and [27] likewise the [28] cuppe of [29] blessing [30], [31] as a [32] parttakyng of the [33] blood of [34] Christe.

[7] amongest MS.

[8] p. 14. F. themselves MS. F.

[9] an other MS.

[10] Comma B.
[11] Christs MS. F.
Chrystes A.

[12] Colon L.

[13] in so much L.

[14] Comma L.

[15] fuch MS. F. H. I. L.

[16] rightlie MS.
ryghtly A, I. L.
rightly B. F.
ryghtlie C. D. E.

[17] worthelie MS. worthely A. worthily B. F. worthyly C. D. E.

[18] faith MS. F.

receive MS. F. receyve A. L. [20] which MS. F. L.

[21] wee F.

[22] Comma A. B. F. L.

[23] Instead of parttakyng read communion A. B.

in MS. 'twas first writ comunion, and then a stroke was drawn under the Word comunion, and the Word parttaking was written over it.

partakyng H. I. parttaking L.

[24] bodie MS.

[25] Christ A. F. L.

[26] Colon F.

[27] lykewyfe B. I. L. likewyfe C. D. E.

[28] cup B. F. L.

[29] bleffyng B. L. [30] no Comma MS. I.

[31] is MS. A. B. C. D. E. F. H. I. L.

[32] instead of parttakyngread communion A. B.

in MS, there is the same.
Alteration, as in Numb. 23.

partaking H. I. [33] bloud A.

[34] Chryst A. Christ F. [17] Panis [18], & Vini transubstantiatio in Eucharistia, ex Sacris Literis probari non potest [19]. Sed a[20] pertis [21] Scripturæ verbis adversatur, Sacramenti naturam evertit, & multarum Superstitionum dedit occasionem. [22]

[23] Corpus [24] Christi datur, accipitur, & manducatur in [25] Cœna, tantum [26] cœlesti [27], & spirituali ratione [28]. Medium autem quo cor-

[17] There is no Break here

[18] no Comma MS. W.

[20] p. 18.

[21] teriprure MS.

[22] Here, without beginning a new Paragraph, are the following Words added in MS. viz Corpus Christi datue accipieur & manducatur in cena, tantum celesti & spirituali ratione. Christus in celum ascendens, corpori suo immortalitatem dedit, naturam non abstulit, humane enim nature veritatem, (juxta Scripturas) perpetuo retinet, quam uno & definito loco esfe, & non in multa, vel omnia fimul loca diffundi oportet, Quum igitur Christus in celum sublatus, ibi usque ad finem seculi sit permanfurirs, arque inde, non aliunde (ne loquitur Augustinus) venturus lie, ad judicandum vivos & mortuos, non deber quif-

quam fidelium, carnis eius et fanguinis, realem, & corporalem (ut loquuntur) presentiam in Eucharistia vel credere, vel profiteri, and then the Artisle goes on, without beginning a new Paragraph, Corpus tamen Chrifti datur, &c. But note, that every Line of the aforefaid Words has a Line drawn under it with a Red Lead Pencil, and then the whole Body of them is croffed with a Red Note alfo, that the Lead Pencil. Word et was written between carnis and ejus, but is fruck out a-

[23] Here is no new Paragraph begun in MS. as was juß now no-

ted.

[24] The Word tamen is here inferred in MS. as was just now noted.

[25] cena MS.

[26] celesti MS. [27] no Comma W.

[28] Comma MS.

Transubstantiation [35] (or the [36] chaunge of the [37] substaunce of [38] bread and [39] wine) [40] in the Supper of the Lorde, [41] can not be [42] proved by [43] holye [44] writ: but is [49] repugnaunt to the [46] playne [47] wordes of [48] Scripture, [49] overthroweth [50] the nature of a Sacrament, and hath [51] geven occasion to many superstirions.

The [52] body of [53] Christe [54] is [55] geven, taken, and eaten [56] in the Supper [57], [58] only after [59] an [60] heavenly and [61] spiritual [62] maner [63]: [64] and the meane

35 there is a Comma instead of the Parenthesis in this Place MS. A. B. as there is also after the Word wine A. B. for in this last Place there is neither a Parenthefis nor any Point in MS.

[36] change MS. A. F. L.

[37] fubstance MS. F. [38] breade MS.

[39] wyne A. B. I. L.

[40] for these Words, in the supper of the Lorde, read into the substaunce of Chrystes body and bloud, A. and in B. read into the subflaunce of Christes bodye and blood; and in MS. read into the Substance of Christs body and bloode, without any Point after bloode.

[41] cannot MS. F.

[42] prooved F L.

[43] holy MS.A.B.F.H.I.L.

[44] writt MS. wryt L.

[45] repugnant MS. F. L.

[46] plaine MS. B. F.

words B. F.

[48] p. 27. A.

[49] read perverteth A. B.

[50] P. 24. B.

[51] given MS. F. [52] bodie MS. [53] Chryst A.

Christ F. H.

[54] Comma A. B.

[55] given MS. F. [56] p. 16. L.

[57] no Comma MS. C. D. E.

[58] onely F. L. onlye I.

omit only A. B. [59] read a A. B. L.

[60] heavenlie MS.

[61] spiritual L. [62] manner F.

[63] onely with a full Point after it. A.

onlye with a full Point

after it. B.

the Word only was here written, but struck out again; and there is a full Point after the Word only so struck out. MS.

[64] for and read but MS. A.B.

pus Christi accipitur [29], & manducatur [30] in

[31] Cœna, fides est.
Sacramentum [32] Eucharistiæ [33], ex institutione Christi [34] non servabatur, circumferebatur, [35] elevebatur, nec adorabatur.

[29] no Comma W.

[30] The Words in Coena are marked underneath in Bod. 2. and in the Margin is written ft in MS. but the Letter I being just at the Edge of the Margin (which is abu-(ed by the Binder) perhaps the Remarker writ dest for defunt.

[31] cena MS.

[32] eucharistie MS. [33] no Comma MS. W.

[34] Comma MS.

[35] elevabatur MS. W.

[65] whereby the [66] body of [67] Christ is [68] receaved [69] and eaten in the Supper [70], is

[71] fayth [72].

[73] The Sacrament of the [74] Lordes Supper [75], was not by [76] Christes [77] ordinaunce referved, [78] caryed [79] about, [80] lysted [81] up, [82] or [83] worshypped.

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[65] wherby MS. A.B. [66] bodye A. I.	[75] no Comma MS. C. D. E.
[67] Christe MS. B. C. D. E.	[76] Christs F:
. L .	[77] ordinance MS. F.
Chryste A.	[78] caried MS. B.
[68] received MS, F.	carried F.
receyved A. L.	carryed L.
[69] Comma A.	[79] aboute MS.
[70] no Comma MS.	[80] lifted MS. A. F.
[71] faithe MS.	[81] upp MS.
faith F.	[82] nor A. B.
[72] Gomma MS:	[83] worshipped MS. A. C.
[73] here is no new Paragraph.	D. E. F.
MS.	woorshypped L.
[74] Lords MS. F.	711

ARTICULUS VICECIMUS NONUS.

[1] De manducatione Corporis Christi, & impios illud non manducare.

Mpii, & fide viva destituti, licet carnaliter, & visibiliter (ut [2] Augustinus loquitur) corporis [3], & sanguinis Christi Sacramentum, dentibus premant, nullo tamen modo Christi participes essiciuntur [4]. Sed potius [5] tantæ rei sacramentum,

[1] p. 13. MS.

The Title in MS. rans thus, Impii non manducant corpus Christi in usu cone.

Both the Title and the Body of this Article are intirely manting in W. Nor is there one Syllable thereof added with a Pen in Bod.

1. or Bod. 2.

[2] In the Margin of MS. is written in A. Bp. Parker's Hand, Sup. Johannem tract 26.

[3] no Comma MS.
[4] Comma MS.

[5] tante MS.

The TWENTY NINTH ARTICLE

[1] Of the [2] Wicked [3] whiche [4] do not eate the Body of [5] Christe in the use of the [6] Lordes Supper.

THE [7] wicked [8], and [9] fuche as be [10] voyde of a [11] lyvelye [12] fayth [13], although they [14] do [15] carnally and [16] vifibly presse with [17] theyr [18] teeth [19] (as [20] Saint Augustine [21] fayth) the Sacrament of the [22] bodye and [23] blood of [24] Christ: yet in no [25] wyse are they partakers of [26] Christe, but rather [27], to [28] they recondemnation [29], do

[1] p. 19. as also in C. D. E.

G. H. I. K.

Both the Title and the Body of this Article are intirely wanting in A. B.

This Article has no Num-

ber affixed torit in MS.

[2] wycked H. [3] which C. D. E. I. read which eate not F.

4] doo L.

[5] Christ F. H I. L.

[6] Lords MS. F.

[7] wycked I. [8] no Comma MS.

[9] fuch MS. F.

To voide MS. void F.

[11] livelie MS. livelye C. D. E. lively F. lyvely I.

[12] faithe MS. faith F.

[13] no Comma MS.

[14] doe E.

[15] carnallye MS.

[16] visiblie MS. visibly F. visiblye L.

[17] their MS. C. D. E. F.

[18] teethe L.

[19] full Point MS.

20 read S. F.

Opposite to this Quotation in E. (and in no other Copy) are these Words in the Margin, viz Super Johan. tractat. 26.

[21] faith MS. F. [22] body F. L.

[23] p. 15. MS. [24] Christe MS. [25] wise MS.F. L.

[26] Christ MS. F. L.

[27] no Comma MS. C. D. E.

F. I. L.

[28] their MS. C. D.E. F. I.L.

[29] no Comma MS. C. D. E.

seu symbolum, ad judicium sibi manducant, & bi-

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS.

[1] De utraque Specie.

Alix Domini laicis non est denegandus [2], utraque enim pars Dominidi Sagramenti [3], ex Christi institutione [4], & [5] præcepto, omnibus Christianis [6], [7] ex [8] æquo administrari debet.

[1] p. 25. W. [2] Colon W.

[3] no Comma W. [4] no Comma MS. A.

[5] precepto MS.
[6] no Comma A.

[6] no Comma A. [7] p. 19. [8] equo MS. eate and [30] drynke the figne or [31] Sacrament of so [32] great a [33] thyng.

[30] drinke MS. C. D. E. F.I. | [31] facramente MS.

[32] greate MS.

[33] thing MS. C. D. E. F.

The THIRTIETH ARTICLE.

[1] Of both [2] Kindes.

THE [3] cuppe of the [4] Lorde is not to be [5] denyed to the [6] laye people [7]. For both the [8] partes of the [9] Lordes [10] Sacrament, by [11] Christes [12] ordinance and [13] commaundement [14], ought to be ministred to all [15] Christian men [16] alyke.

[1] p. 15. F.

This Article has no Number affixed to it, MS.

[2] kinds F. kyndes H. I. L.

[3] cup B. F.

[4] Lord F.

[6] lay F. L. [7] Comma MS. [8] parts F. [9] Lords F.

[10] sacramente A.

[11] Christs MS. Chrystes A. [12] ordynaunce A.

ordinaunce B. I. L.

[13] commandement F. [14] no Comma MS. F.

[15] Chrysten A.

[16] alike MS. C. D. E. F.

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS PRIMUS.

De unica Christi Oblatione [1] in Cruce perfecta.

Blatio Christi semel sacta, persecta est redemptio, propitiatio, & satisfactio [2] pro omnibus peccatis [3] totius mundi, tam originalibus [4], quam actualibus [5]. Neque [6] præter illam unicam [7], est ulla alia pro peccatis expiatio [8], unde Missarum sacrificia, quibus [9], vulgo dicebatur [10], Sacerdotem offerre Christum [11], in remissionem [12] pænæ [13], aut [14] culpæ [15], pro

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- 2] Comma MS.
- [3] tocius MS.
- [4] no Comma W.
- [5] Comma MS.
- [6] preter MS.
- [7] no Comma W.
- [8] a full Point W.

- [9] no Comma W.
- [10] no Comma MS.
- [11] no Comma W.
- [12] pene MS.
- [13] no Comma W.
- [14] culpe MS.
 [15] no Comma W.

The THIRTY FIRST ARTICLE.

[1] Of the one Oblation of [2] Christe [3] sinished upon the Crosse.

THE [4] offeryng of [5] Christ once made [6], is [7] the [8] parfect redemption, [9] propiciation, and satisfaction for all the [10] sinnes of the whole [11] worlde [12], both original and actuall, and [13] there is none o[14] ther satisfaction for [15] sinne [16], but that alone. [17] Wherefore [18] the [19] sacrifices of Masses [20], in the [21] whiche it was [22] commonly [23] sayd [24] that the [25] priestes [26] did offer [27] Christe [28] for the [29] quicke and the dead [30], to have remis-

[1] p. 28. A.

This Article has Numb. 30.

affix'd to it. MS.

[2] Christ MS. A F.

[3] Comma B. L.

Supplied A

fynyshed A.
[4] offring MS.
offerynge A.
offering B. C. D. E. F. I.

[5] Christe MS. B. I. L. Chryste A.

[6] no Comma MS.
insert forever A. B.

[7] that F. [8] perfect MS. A. B. C. D.

E. F. H. I. parfecte L.

[9] propitiation MS. L. for propiciation read the pacifying of gods displeasure, A. B. and observe, that

p. 25. B. begins at the.

[10] fynnes B. L. [11] world MS. A. F.

[12] no Comma MS.

[13] ther A.
[14] p. 17. L.
[15] fynne A. B.

fin F.
[16] no Comma MS.

wherfore MS. A. H.

[18] Comma A. [19] facrifice MS. [20] no Comma MS.

[21] which MS. B. C. D. E.

[22] comonlie MS.

[23] faid MS. C. D. E. F. fayde A. H. I. L. [24] Comma MS. B. F.

[25] prieste MS.

priests F.
[26] dyd A. B. L.

[27] Christ MS. F. H. Chryst A.

[28] p. 20. as also in C. D.

E. G. H. I. K.

[29] quick MS. [30] no Comma MS.

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vivis & defunctis, blasphema figmenta sunt, & [16] perniciosæ [17] imposturæ.

[16] perniciose MS. pernitiofæ W.

[17] imposture MS.

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS SECUNDUS

[1] De Conjugio Sacerdotum [2].

Piscopis, [3] Præsbiteris [4], & Diaconis [5] nullo mandato Divino [6] præceptum est, ut aut [7] cœlibatum voveant, aut a matrimonio abstineant [8]. Licet igitur etiam illis, ut [9] cœteris

[1] p. 14. MS. p. 26. W. [2] no Point MS.

[3] Presbyteris MS. W.

[4] no Comma W.
[5] Comma MS. W.

[6] preceptum MS.

[7] celibatum MS. cælibatum W.

[8] Gemma MS.

[9] ceteris MS. cæteris W.

fion of [31] paine or [32] gilt [33], [34] were [35] blasphemous fables [36] and [37] daungerous [38] deceiptes [39].

[31] payne A. B. C. D. E. L.
[32] gilte MS.
gylt A. B. C. D. E.
guilt F.
[33] Colon B.
[34] weare MS.
[36] Comma B. C. D. E. L.
[37] dangerous F.
[38] deceites A. B. C. D. E.
L.
deceits F.
[39] no Point MS.

[34] weare MS.
[35] read forged fables MS.
A. B

The THIRTY SECOND ARTICLE.

[1] Of the [2] Mariage of [3] Priestes [4].

BYshops, [6] Priestes [7], and Deacons, are not [8] commanded by Gods [9] lawe [10] eyther to [11] vowe the [12] state of [13] single [14] lyse, or to [15] abstayne from [16] mariage [17]. [18] Therefore [19] it is [20] lawfull also for them

[1] This Article has Numb. 31. [11] vow F. affixed to it. MS. [12] estate MS. A. B. C. D. [2] marriage F. L. [3] Priests MS. F. [13] fyngle B. [14] lief MS. [4] no Point MS. Is Busshoppes MS. life F. Bishops A. L. [15] abstaine MS. F. absteyne A. L. Byshopes I. [6] priests F. [16] maryage A. B. 7] no Comma MS. marriage F. L. [17] Colon F. [18] Therfore MS. A. B.F. [8] comaunded MS. 9 law F. [19] Comma B. [10] Comma MS. A. B. F. either MS. F. [20] lawful A.

omnibus Christianis, ubi hoc ad pietatem magis facere judicaverint, pro suo arbitratu [10] matrimonium contrahere [11].

[10] Comma MS.

[11] no Point MS.

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS TERTIUS.

[1] De Excommunicatis vitandis.

UI per publicam [2] ecclesiæ [3] denunciationem [4] rite ab unitate [5] ecclesiæ [6] præcisus est [7], & excommu[8] nicatus, is ab universa

^[1] The Title is, Excommunicati vitandi funt. MS. W. only in MS: put a Communa after Excommunicati, and after funt.

^[2] ecclesie MS.

^[3] denuntiationem W.

^[4] Comma MS.

^[5] ecclesie MS.

^[6] precisus MS.

⁷ no Comma W.

^[8] p. 20,

[21], [22] as for all other Christian men [23], to [24] marye at [25] theyr owne discretion, as they [26] shall judge the same to serve better to [27] godlynesse.

[21] no Comma MS.

[22] p. 29. A.

[23] no Comma MS.

marry MS. A. B. F. mary C. D. E. marrie L.

[25] their MS. C. D. E.F. I.

[26] shal I.

[27] godlynes MS. A. godlinesse F.

The THIRTY THIRD ARTICLE.

[1] Of excommunicate Persons, [2] howe they are to be avoyded.

[3] THAT person [4] whiche by open [5] denuntiation of the [6] Churche [7], is [8] ryghtly [9] cut [10] of from the [11] unitie of the [12] Churche, and [13] excommunicated, [14] ought to [15] be taken of the whole multitude

[1] p. 16. MS.

The Title stands thus, Excommunicate persons are to be avoyded. MS. A. B. only in MS. read excomunicate and avoided.

[2] how F. I.

[3] p. 26. B. [4] which MS. F.

[5] denunciation MS. A. B.

[6] Church MS. B.

[7] no Comma MS. L.

[8] rightlie MS. rightly B. F.

[9] cutt MS.

[10] off F.

[11] unity F.

[12] p. 16. F. Church MS. A. B. F.

[13] excomunicate MS. excommunicate A. B.

[14] oughte MS.

[15] bee A. F.

fidelium multitudine [9] (donec per [10] pœniten-tiam [11] publice reconciliatus fuerit [12] arbitrio judicis competentis [13]) habendus est tanquam ethnicus [14] & publicanus.

[9] Comma instead of the Pa- | perhaps should be publicam. renthelis MS: W.

[10] penitentiam MS.

[11] This Word in Bod. 2. is | renthelis MS. W. marked underneath, and in the Margin is written bli ... m which

[12] Comma MS. W.

[13] Comma instead of the Pa-

[14] Comma MS.

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS QUARTUS.

[1] De Traditionibus Ecclesiasticis.

Raditiones atque [3] ceremonias ealdem, non omnino necessarium est [4] esse ubique [5], aut prorsus consimiles [6]. Nam & [7] variæ semper suerunt, & mutari possunt, pro regio-

Traditiones Ecclesiasti-

ċæ. W.

[2] p. 27. W.

[3] cæremonias W.

[4] Comma MS.

[5] no Comma MS. W.

[6] Comma MS.

varie MS.

^[1] The Title stands thus, Traditiones Ecclesiastice without amy Point. MS.

of the [16] faythfull [17] as an heathen and [18] publicane, [19] untyll [20] he be openly reconciled by [21] penaunce [22], and [23] receaved into the [24] Churche by a judge [25] that hath [26] au-Choritie [27] thereto.

[16] faithfull MS.F.

[17] Comma A. B. [18] publican MS. A. [19] untill MS. G. D. E. F. [20] hee F.

[21] penance MS. F. L.

[22] no Comma MS.

[23] received MS. F. L.

[24] Church MS. F. [25] Comma B.

[26] authoritie MS. authority F.

[27] therto A. thereunto F.

The THIRTY FOURTH ARTICLE

[1] Of the Traditions of the [2] Churche.

T is not [2] necessarie [4] that traditions and ceremonies [5] be in [6] all places [7] one, or [8] utterly [9] like, for at all [10] times [11] they have [12] ben [13] diverse [14], and [15] may be

[1] This Article has Numb. 33. affixed to it. MS.

[2] Church MS. A. B. F. H.

I. L

[3] necessary A.

[4] Comma B. [5] Comma A. B.

[6] al A. C. D. E.

[7] p. 30. A. [8] utterlie MS.

[9] lyke B. L.

[10] p. 21. as also in C. D. E.

tymes B. I. L. [II] Comma MS. A.

12 bene MS. beene F.

[13] dyvers A. B. divers F. I.

[14] no Comma MS.

[15] maie MS. maye B.

num [8], temporum, & morum diversitate, modo

nihil contra verbum Dei [9] instituatur.

Traditiones [10], & [11] ceremonias ecclesiasticas [12] quæ cum verbo Dei non pugnant, & sunt [13] authoritate publica [14] institutæ [15], atque probatæ, quisquis privato consilio [16] volens [17], [18] & data opera [19], publice violaverit, is, ut

[8] In MS. instead of the Comma, or rather upon the Comma, is a Mark of Insertion made with a red Lead Pencil, and in the Margin is written with the same Pencil the Word temporum, which, with the Comma after it, is not written in the Text of MS.

[9] Comma MS.

[11] cæremonias W.

[12] que MS.

[13] auctoritate MS. autoritate W.

[14] institute MS.

[15] no Comma W.

[16] Comma MS. [17] no Comma W.

[18] p. 15. MS.

[19] no Comma W.

[16] chaunged [17] according to the diversitie of [18] Countreves, [19] times [20], and mens [21] maners [22], so that [23] nothing be [24] ordeyned [25] agaynst Gods [26] worde [27]. Whosoever through [28] his [29] private [30] judgement [31], [32] wyllyngly and purpofely [33] dorh [34] openlye breake the traditions and [35] Ceremonies of the [36] Church, [37] whiche be not [28] repugnaunt to the [39] worde of God, and [40] be [41] ordayned and [42] approved by common [43] aucthoritie [44]: ought to be rebuked [45] openly [46], (that other may feare to [47] do

[16] changed MS. F.

[17] Comma B. according MS. A.B.F. I.

[18] contries MS. countreys A. C. D. E.

F.I.

countreies B.

[19] tymes A. B. I. 20 no Comma MS.

[21] manners MS. F.

[22] Colon MS. A. B.

[23] nothyng A. B. H. I. L. [24] ordeined MS.

ordayned B. ordained F.

[25] against MS. C. D. E. F. G.

[26] word F. L.

[27] no Point MS.

[28] hys A.

29 pryvate A.

[30] p. 18. L.

[31] no Comma MS. [32] willingly MS. F.

willyngly B. wyllingly I. L.

[33] doeth F.

[34] openly A. C. D. E. L: openlie B.

[35] ceremonyes A.

[36] Churche A. I.

[37] which MS. B. C. D. E. F. H. I. L.

[38] repugnante MS. repugnant F. L.

[39] word F. woord L.

[40] p. 27. B. [41] ordeined MS. L. ordeyned A. ordained F.

[42] read appointed MS. approoved F.

[43] authoritie MS. F.

[44] Comma MS. A. B. F. H. I.L.

[45] openlie MS. openly F. openlye H. I.

[46] no Comma MS. B. H.I. L.

[47] doe F.

qui peccat in publicum ordinem [20] ecclesiæ, quique [21] lædit [22] authoritatem magistratus, & qui infirmorum fratrum conscientias vulnerat, publice [23] ut [24] cœteri timeant, arguendus est [25].

[26] Quælibet Ecclesia particularis, si[27] ve nationalis [28], [29] authoritatem habet [30] instituendi, mutandi, aut abrogandi [31] ceremonias [32], aut ritus ecclesiasticos, humana tantum [33] authoritate institutos, modo omnia ad [34] ædisicationem siant.

mma MS. W.
ritatem W.
sa MS.
monias W.
mma W.

231 autoritate A.

34] edificationem MS.

[20	ecclesie MS.	[27]	p. 28
121	ledit MS.	[28]	no Co
122	autoritatem W.	[29]	autor
123	Comma W.	[30]	:Comm
	ceteri MS.	[31]	cærei
	coteri W	[22]	nin Car

[25] Comma MS.

[26] Quelibet MS.

the [48] lyke) as [49] he that offendeth [50] agaynst the common order of the [51] Churche, and hurtern [52] the [53] aucthoritie of the Magistrate, and [54] woundeth the [55] consciences of the

weake [56] brethren.

[57] Every [58] particuler [59] and nationall [60] Churche [61], hath [62] authoritie to [63] ordayne, [64] chaunge [65], and [66] abolyshe [67] cere [68] monies [69] or [70] rites of the [71] Churche [72] ordeyned [73] onlye by mans [74] authoritie [75], so that all [76] thinges be [77] done to [78] edifiyng.

[48] like MS. F. L.

[49] read one that MS. A. B. [50] against MS. A. F. L.

agaynste I.

[51] Church MS. A. F. L.

[52] read thauthoritie MS.

[54] wondeth MS. but there being a Dash over rad, I believe, 'twas designed for woundeth.

[55] conscience MS. [56] brethern MS.

[57] here anth not begin a new Paragraph. MS.

[58] part rular F.

[59] read or MS. A. B. C. D. E. F.

[60] Church MS. B. F. H.

[61] no Comma MS.

[62] authoritie MS. authority F.

[63] ordeine MS. ordeyne A. L. ordaine C. D. E. F. [64] change MS. F.

[65] no Comma MS. [66] abolish MS. F. abolishe C. D. E.

[67] ceremonyes A.

[68] p. 31. A.

[69] Comma A.B.

[70] rytes A.

[71] Church MS. B. F. [72] Comma MS. A. B. F.

ordeined MS. ordayned B. H. I. ordained F.

[73] onelye MS. onely A. F. L. only I.

[74] authoritie MS. authority F.

[75] no Comma MS. [76] things MS. F.

thynges A. H. I.

[77] doone L.

[78] edefienge MS. edifying B. F. L.

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS QUINTUS.

[1] 1)e Homiliis.

Tomus fecundus Homiliarum, quarum singulos titulos huic articulo subjunximus, continet piam & salutarem doctrinam, & hijs temporibus [2] necessariam, non minus [3] quam prior tomus Homiliarum [4], [5] quæ [6] editæ sunt [7], tempore

[1] p. 21.

This Title is wanting, nor is there any other Title what soever added; but this Article is so nearly joined to the precedent, that it seems a Part of it. W.

The same may be said of the first Paragraph in MS. For the Figare 35 is placed in the Margin of

MS. over against the Title of the first Homily.

[2] Comma MS.

[3] Comma MS. [4] no Comma W.

[5] que MS. [6] edite MS. æditæ W.

[7] no Comma MS. W.

The THIRTY FIFTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] Homilies.

HE [3] seconde booke of [4] Homilies [5], the [6] severall [7] titles [3] where f [9] we have joyned under [10] time article, [11] doth [12] conteying a [13] godly and [14] wholesome [15] doctrine, [16] and [17] necessary for [18] these [19] tymes, as [20] doth the former booke [21] of [22] Homilies, [23] whiche [24] were set [25] toorth [26] in the [27] time of [28] Edwarde the

[1] The Title of the Thirty fifth

Article is wanting, MS.

There is no Number affixed to this part of the Article in MS. but Numb. 34. is affixed at the beginning of the Catalogue of the Homilies contain d in the second Tome.

There is no Space between the Thirty fourth and Thirty fifth Articles in A. B. Only what we now call the Thirty fifth Article, begins with a new Paragraph. And accordingly the Title of the Thirty fifth Article, of Homilies, is totally omitted. A. B.

[2] homilees I.

[3] fecond MS. F.

[4] homelies MS. homelyes A. homilees I

[5] no Comma MS. [6] omit feveral MS. A. B.

[7] tytles I. L. [8] whereof B. F.

[8] whereof B. F.

[10] thys A.

[11] do B.

[12] conteine MS. contayne B. containe F.

[13] godlie MS.

[14] wholsome MS. A.

15] doctryne A.

[16] p. 17. F. [17] necessarie C. D. E.I. L

this time MS. B.

[19] times F.

[21] omit of homilies, MS. A. B.

[22] homilees I.

[23] which MS. A. F.

[24] read was MS. A. B.

[25] forth MS. A. F.
[26] read at London under

[26] read at London under Edward the fixt. A. B. only in B. read fixth with a Colon after it, as in the Text, instead of the full Point which is in A.

[27] tyme I. L. [28] Edward MS. F.

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Edwardi sexti [8]: Itaque eas in ecclesiis per ministros diligenter [9], & clare, ut a populo intelligi possint, recitandas esse [10] judicavimus.

[11] De nominibus Homiliarum.

[12] Of the right use of the Church [13]
[14] Agaynst [15] perill of [16] Idolatrie [17].

Of [18] repairing and keping cleane of Churches.

Of good [19] Workes [20].

First of [21] fastyng [22].

[23] Agaynst gluttony and [24] Drunkennes [25].

[8] Comma MS.

a full Point W. [9] no Comma MS. W.

[10] judicamus W. [11] Catalogus Homiliarum. MS. W.

[12] Over against the Title of this Homily is placed the Figure 35, as has been already noted. MS.

The Titles of the Homilies are in W. expressed in Latin, thus;

De Recto Ecclesiæ usu. Adversus Idolatriæ pericula. De reparandis ac purgandis Ecclessis.

De bonis operibus.

De Jejunio,

In gulæ atque ebrietatis vi-

In nimis sumptuosos vestium apparatus.

De oratione five precatione. De loco & tempore orationi destinatis.

De publicis precibus ac facramentis, idiomate vulgari omnibufque noto, hahendis

De sacrosancta verbi Divini autoritate.

De Eleemosina.

De Christi nativitate.

De Dominica passione. De resurrectione Domini.

De digna Corporis & Sanguinis Dominici in cona Do-

mini participatione. De donis Spiritus Sancti.

De diebus, qui vulgo Rogationum dicti funt, concio.

De Matrimonii statu. De otio seu socordia.

De Pœnitentia.

Observe, that p. 29. W. begins at De bonis operibus, and p. 30. W. begins at dictifunt, concio.

[13] a full Point MS.

[14] Against MS.

[15] perrill MS.

[16] Idolatrye MS.

18] repayring MS.

19] workes MS.

21] fasting MS.

[22] no Point MS.

[24] drunkynnes MS.

[25] Colon MS.

[29] fixt [30]: and [31] therefore [32] we judge them to be read in Churches by the Ministers [33] diligent[34]ly [35], [36] and [37] distinctlye, that they may be understanded of the people.

[28] Of the Names of the [39] Homilies [40].

1 Of the [41] right use of the [42] Churche.

2 [43] Agaynst [44] perill of [45] Idolatrie.

2 Of [46] repayring and [47] keping [48] cleane of Churches.

4 Of good [49] workes, first of [50] fastyng [51]. [52] 5 [53] Agaynst [54] gluttony and [55] drunken-

nelle [56].

[29] Syxth L.

[30] full Point MS.

[31] therfore MS. A.

[32] read are to be read in our Churches by MS. A. B.

wee F. [33] Comma B.

diligentlie MS. diligentlye A.

[34] p. 28. B.

[35] no Comma F. L.

[36] insert plainelie with a Comma after it. MS.

infert playnely with a

Comma after it. A. B

[37] distinctlie MS. distinctly B. C. D. E.

F. L.

[38] p 17. MS.

p. 22. as also in C. D. E.

G. H. I. K.

Numb 34. is placed in the Margin of this Line. MS.

omit of MS. A. B. [39] homelies MS.

homilees I.

[40] no Point A.

ryght A. B. L. Church B. F.

Against MS. B. F. 43

[44] peryll A. L.

Idolatry A. F. 45 [46] reparing A.

repairing B. the repairing F. repayryng L.

[47] kepyng B. keeping F. keepyng L.

[48] claine MS.

[49] woorkes L.

[50] fastinge MS. fasting A. F.

[51] no Point A.

[52] p. 32. A. [53] against MS. B. F.

[54] gluttonie B.

[55] dronkennes MS. dronkennesse A.

[56] no Point MS.

[2:6] Agaynst excesse of [27] apparell.

Of Prayer.

Of the place and [28] time of [29] praier.

That common prayers and [30] sacramentes ought to be ministred in a [21] knowne [22] tonge. Of the [33] reverent [34] estimation of [35] Gods

word [36]. Of Almes [37] doyng [38].

Of the [39] Nativitie of [40] Christ.
Of the [41] passion of Christ.

Of the [42] resurrection of Christ.

[43] Of the [44] worthy [45] receiving of the Sacra-ment of the body [46] and [47] blonde of Christ. Of the [48] giftes of the [49] boly [50] Ghoft.

Against MS.

apparfell MS. 28] tyme MS.

prayer MS. 29

facraments MS. 30

317 knowen MS.

32] tongue MS.

[33] reverend MS. [34] estimacion MS.

[35] godes MS.

no Paint MS.

doing MS.

[38] Comma MS.

[39] natyvitye MS.

[40] Christe MS.

41 paffyon MS.

refurreccion MS.

[43] p. 16. MS.

[44] worthyle MS.

[45] receyving MS.

[46] Comma MS.

[47] blud MS.

[48] gyftes MS.

[49] hollye MS.

[50] goft MS.

6 [57] Against [58] excesse of apparell.
[59] 7 Of Prayer.

8 Of the place and [60] time of prayer [61].

9 That common [62] prayers and [63] sacramentes [64] ought to [65] be ministred in a [66] knowen tongue.

10 Of the [67] reverente estimation of [68] Gods

[69] worde [70].

II Of almes [71 doing.

12 Of the Nativitie of [72] Christe. 13 Of the passion of [73] Christe [74].
14 Of the resurrection of [75] Christe.

15 Of the [76] worthie [77] receaving of the [78] Sacrament [79] of the [80] body and SI blood of [82] Christe.

16 Of the [82] gyftes of the Holy [84] Ghost [85].

[57] agaynst A. L.

[58] accesse MS.

[59] p. 19. L. [60] tyme A. B. L.

[61] no Point MS.

[62] praiers MS. [63] facraments MS. B. F.

[64] Comma B.

[65] bee F.

[66] read tounge knowen MS.

> read toung knowen. A. read tongue knowen. B. knowne F.

[67] reverend MS. reverent A. B. F. L.

[68] godes MS. 69 word F.

woorde L [70] no Point MS.

[71] doinge MS. doyng A. B. L. [72] Christ A. F.

[73] Chryst A. Christ A.

[74] no Point MS. [75] Chrift A. F.

[76] worthye A. worthy B. F. woorthy L.

[77] receiving MS. F. receavyng A. B. receivyng L.

[78] facramente A.

[79] Comma B.

[80] bodye A. [81] bloude MS. bloud A.

82 Chryst A. Christ F.

[83] gifts MS. F.

[84] ghoste MS.

[85] no Point A.

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For the Rogation dayes [51].

Of the state of [52] Motrimonie.

Of Repentaunce.

[53] Agaynst Idlenes.

[54] Agaynst Rebellion.

[51] Comma MS.

[52] matrymony MS. [53] against MS.

[54] The Title of this Hemily is not in MS.

17 For the Rogation [86] dayes [87].

18 Of the state of [88] Matrimonie [89].
19 [90] Of [91] Repentaunce [92].

20 [93] Agaynst [94] Idlenesse.

21 [95] Agaynst Rebellion.

[86] daies MS.

[87] no Point MS. [88] matrimonye MS. matrymony A. matrimony F.

[89] no Point MS.

90 read

Agaynst Idlenesse. Of repentaunce, A.B.

p. 29. B. But note, that since Agaynst Idlenesse. goes before Of repentaunce. therefore the Word Matrimonie ends the foregoing Page, and Of repentaunce. begins this.

[91] repentance MS. F.

[92] no Point MS.

[93] against MS. F. [94] Idlenes MS.

[95] against MS. F.

Observe also, that in MS. the Title of this last Homily is squeezed in, in a smaller (and perhaps a different) Hand, between the Title of the Twentieth Homily, and the first Line of the next Article, which joins close to the Thirty fifth Homily in MS. and had no distinct Title at first, tho' the Title of it was afterwards added over head.

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS SEXTUS.

[1] De Episcoporum & Ministrorum Consecratione.

Ibellus de Confecratione Archiepiscoporum [2], & Episcoporum, & de Ordinatione [3] Præsebyterorum [4], & Diaconorum [5], [6] editus nuper temporibus Edwardi [7] vi. & [8] authoritate [9] Parliamenti illis ipsis temporibus confirmatus,

[1] p. 23.

This Title is manting in MS. W. and in W. the Article joins immediately to what went before; only there is a very large L at the beginning of Libellus. But in MS. tho' there is no distinct Title, yet there is a distinct Figure, viz. 36. in the Margin, opposite to Libellus.

[2] no Comma W.

3] Presbyterorum MS. W.

[4] no Comma MS. W.

5] no Comma MS, W. 6] æditus W.

[7] fexti, MS. W.

[9] Parlamenti W.

The THIRTY SIXTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of Consecration of [2] Bishops and Ministers.

HE Booke of Confecration of [4] Archbyshops [5], and [6] Byshops [7], and [8] ordering of [9] Priestes and Deacons, [10] lately fet [11] foorth in the [12] tyme of [13] Edwarde the [14] fyxte [15], and [16] confyrmed at the same [17] tyme by [18] aucthoritie of [19] Parliament.

[1] p. 18. F.

This Article has Numb. 35.

in MS.

The Title of this Article is omitted in A. B. nor is there any Space left between the Thirty fifth and the Thirty fixth Articles in B, the it happens in A, that the Thirty fixth Article begins the 33d Page, and the foregoing Page is a Line (horter than usual.

I have already observed, how the Title of this Article is written over head in MS. there being Room enough to do it, by reafon that the MS. is in Folio, and there is Space enough left void, the Titles of the last Homilies being so short, as to fill but a small

part of a Folio Line.

[2] Busshoppes MS. Byshops I.

Bishoppes L. [3] p. 33. A. for I have already observed that A. has not the Title of this Article.

[4] Archbisshoppes MS. Archbishops B. F. Archbyshopes I. Archebyshops L.

5 no Comma MS. A. [6] Busshoppes MS. Bishops B. F. Byshopes I. Bishoppes L.

no Comma MS.

ordering MS. B. F. L.

[9] priests F.

[ro] latelie MS. [11] forthe MS.

12] time MS. C. D. E. F.

[13] p. 23. as also in C.D.E. G. H. I. K.

insert the most noble

Kinge MS.

insert the most noble Kyng A.

insert the moste noble

King B. Edward B. F.

[14] fixte MS. H. I. VI. A.

fixt B. F. fyxth L.

[15] full Point MS.

[16] confirmed MS. A. B. F.

17] time MS. A. B. F.

[18] authoritie MS. authority F.

[19] Parliamente A.

omnia ad ejusmodi consecrationem [10], & ordinationem necessaria continet, & nihil habet [11], quod ex se sit [12], aut superstitiosum [13], aut impium [14]: itaque quicunque juxta ritus illius libri consecrati [15], aut ordinati sunt [16], ab anno secundo [17] prædicti Regis Edwardi, usque ad hoc tempus, aut [18] imposterum juxta eosdem ritus consecrabuntur [19], aut ordinabuntur [20], rite, [21] atque ordine, atque legitime [22] sta-

[10] no Comma MS. W.

[11] no Comma W.

[12] no Comma MS. W. [13] no Comma W.

[14] Comma MS.

s full Point W.

fis] no Comma W.

[16] no Comma W.

[17] predicti MS.

[18] in posterum W.

[19] no Comma W.

[20] no Comma W. [21] omit atque W.

[22] Comma W. p. 31. W. [20] doth [21] conteyne all [22] thynges [23] neceffary [24] to [25] fuche confectation and [26] orderyng [27]: [28] neyther hath it [29] any [30] thyng, that of it [31] felfe [32] is Superfittious [33] or [34] ungodly. And [35] therefore [36], whosever are [37] confectate [38] or [39] ordered [40] accordyng to the [41] rites of that booke, [42] fence the [43] feconde [44] yere of the [45] aforenamed [46] king [47] Edwarde [48] unto this [49] time, or hereafter [50] shalbe confectated or [51] ordered [52] according [53] to the same [54] rites [55], [56] we decree all [57] suche to be [58] ryghtly [59],

[20] doeth F. [41] rytes A. H. I. [21] conteine MS. I. fince B. F. L. contayne B. [43] lecond A. F. containe F. yeere F. L. [45] in MS. it was written [22] things MS. F. thinges A. C. D. E. aforesaid; but the Syllable said [23] necessarye MS. is blotted out, and named is writnecessarie B. C. D. E. I. ten over head. [46] Kinge MS. [24] p. 18. MS. Kyng A. B. H. I. L. 25 fuch B. F. [47] Edward F. [26] ordering MS. B. F. [48] Comma MS. A. B. C. D. [27] Comma L. [28] neither MS. E. F. L. [49] tyme MS. A.B. H. I.L. [29] anie MS. anye H. I. [50] shall be F. [30] thinge MS. [51] ordred MS. L. thing B. F. [52] Comma B. [31] felf MS. F. according B. C. D. E. H. L. 32 Comma B. [33] read and ungodly. F. [53] p. 20. L. [34] ungodlie MS. [54] rytes A. [35] therfore MS. A. B. [55] no Comma MS. [56] wee F. [36] no Comma MS. [57] fuch MS. A. B C. D. [37] confecrated F. [38] Comma MS. A. B. E. F.

[58] rightlie MS.

[59] no Comma MS.

rightly B. F.

[39] ordred MS.

according MS. F.

[40] Comma B.

tuimus esse [23], & fore consecratos [24], & ordinatos.

[23] no Comma MS. W.

[24] no Comma W.

ARTICULUS TRICECIMUS SEPTIMUS.

De civilibus Magistratibus.

Regia Majestas in hoc [1] Angliæ regno [2], ac [3] cœteris ejus dominiis [4] summam habet potestatem, ad quam [5], omnium statuum hujus regni, sive illi Ecclesiastici [6] sint [7], [8] sive Civiles [9], in omnibus causis [10], suprema guber-

[1] Anglie MS.
[2] no Comma W.
[3] cetteris MS.

cæteris W.

[4] infert jure W.

[5] no Comma MS. W.

[6] funt W.

[7] no Comma W.
[8] read five non instead of five Civiles MS. W.

[9] no Comma MS.

[60] orderly [61], and [62] lawfully confectated and ordered.

[60] orderlye MS.
[61] no Comma MS.

[62] lawfullye MS.

The THIRTY SEVENTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of [2] the [3] Civill Magistrates.

THE [4] Queenes Majestie hath [5] the [6] cheese power in this Realme of [7] Englande, and other her dominions, unto [8] whom the [9] cheese [10] government of [11] all estates of this Realme, whether they be Ecclesiasticall [12] or [13] Civile, in [14] all causes [15] doth [16] apparteyne, and is not [17], nor [18] ought to [19] be

[1] This Article is mark'd 36.
MS.

[2] omit the I.

Quenes MS. A.

[5] p. 34. A. p. 30. B.

[6] chief MS. chiefe A. B. F. L.

[7] England F. I.

[8] whome MS.

chiefe A. B. F. L.

[10] governement MS. A.F.

[11] al L.

[12] Comma A. B.

[13] instead of Civile read not

vis. A. B. civill F. I. L.

[14] al I.

[15] Comma B. doeth F. L.

[16] apperteine MS. apperteyne A.

apparteine C. D. E. I. L. appertaine F.

[17] no Comma MS.

[18] oughte MS.

[19] bee F.

natio pertinet, & nulli [11] externæ jurisdictioni

est subjecta, nec esse debet.

Cum [12] Regiæ Majestati summam gubernationem tribui [13] mus, quibus titulis intelligimus [14]. ani[15]mos quorundam calumniatorum offendi [16], non damus Regibus nostris [17], aut Verbi Dei [18], aut Sacramentorum administrationem, quod etiam Injunctiones ab Elizabetha Regina nostra [19]. nuper [20] editæ, apertissime testantur [21]. Sed

11]	externe MS.
12	Regie MS.

[13] p. 17. MS.

[14] no Comma W. p. 23.

[16] Colon W. [17] no Comms W. [18] no Comma W.

[19] no Comma W.

[20] edite MS. æditæ W.

[21] Comma MS. Colon W.

[20] subject to any [21] forraigne Jurisdiction.

[22] Where [23] we attribute to the [24] Queenes Majestie [25] the [26] cheese [27] government, by [28] whiche [29] titles [30] we [31] understande the [32] mindes of some slaunderous [33] solkes to [34] be offended [35]: [36] we [37] geve not to [38] our [39] Princes [40] the [41] ministring [42] either of gods [43] word, or of [44] Sacramentes [45], the [46] whiche [47] thyng [48] the Injunctions also [49] lately set [50] forth by [51] Elizabeth [52] our [53] Queene [54], [55] doth [56] most [57] plainly [58] testisie: But that

[20] subjecte MS.

[21] forreine MS. forreyne A. forraine B.

[22] wher MS.

. [23] wee F.

. [24] Quenes MS. A.

[25] Comma MS. A. B. [26] chief MS. chiefe A B. F. L.

[27] governemente MS. governement A. F. I. L.

[28] which MS. F.

[29] tytles A. I. L.

[30] wee F

[31] understand F.

[32] myndes A. B. I. L.

[33] foulke MS. but the Mark at the end of this Word doth sometimes betoken s or es; and therefore perhaps foulkes or foulks might be intended.

[34] bee F.

[35] Gomma MS. A. B.

[36] wee F.

[37] give MS. F.

[38] owre MS.

[39] prynces A. [40] Comma MS. A. B.

[41] ministryng A.

[42] Comma F. eyther A. B. L.

[43] worde MS. A. B. [44] facraments MS. C. D.

E. L.

read the facraments F.

[45] full Point MS.

[46] which MS. C. D. E. F.

[47] thinge MS. thing C. D. E. F.

[48] Comma A. B.

[49] larelie MS.

[50] p 19. F. forthe MS. foorth B. F.

[51] Elyzaberh MS.

[52] oure MS.

[53] Quene MS. A.

[54] no Comma MS. [55] read doe F.

[56] moste A. B.

[57] plainelie MS.
playnely A. B. I. L.
plainlie C. D. E.
plainely F.

playnly H.

[58] testefie MS.

eam tantum [22] præ[23] rogativam, quam in facris Scripturis a Deo ipso [24], omnibus piis Principibus, videmus semper suisse [25] attributam, hoc est [26], ut omnes status [27], atque ordines [28] sidei [29] suæ a Deo commissos, sive illi ecclesiasticism, sive civiles, in officio contineant, & contumaces [30] ac delinquentes [31], gladio civili [32] coerceant [33].

Romanus Pontifex nullam habet [34] jurisdictio-

nem in hoc regno [35] Angliæ.

[36] Leges Regni possunt Christianos propter

[22] prerogativam MS.

[23] p. 32. W.

[24] no Comma W.

[25] Comma MS.

27 no Comma MS. W.

[28] Comma MS.

Gomma MS.

[31] no Comma W.

[32] coerceant W.

[33] Comma MS.

[34] jurisdiccionem MS.

[35] Anglie MS.

[36] read Leges civiles inflead of Leges Regni MS. W. only in MS. put a Comma after civiles, [59] only prerogative [60] whiche we [61] fee to have [62] ben [63] geven alwayes to [64] all [65] godly Prin[66] ces in [67] holy Scriptures [68] by God [69] hym felfe, that is, that they [70] shoulde rule [71] all estates and degrees [72] committed to [73] their [74] charge by God, whether they be Ecclesiasticall [75] or [76] Temporall, and [77] restrayne with the [78] civill [79] sworde [80] the [81] stubberne and [82] evyll doers.

[83] The [84] Byshop of Rome hath no jurisdi-

ction in this Realme of [85] Englande.

[86] The lawes of the Realme [87] may [88] punishe Christian men with [89] death [90], for

[59] onelie MS. onely F. L. onlye I. [60] Comma B. which MS. A. B. F. H. [61] fe A. [62] beene F. [63] given MS. F. [64] al L. [65] godlie MS. [66] p. 24. as also in C. D. E. G. H. I. K. [67] holie MS. [68] p. 35. A. Comma MS. B. [69] himfelf MS. himselfe A. B. F. him selfe C. D. E. [70] should MS. A. C. D. E. F. H. [71] al L.

[72] Comma B.

[74] p. 31. B.

comitted MS.

[73] theyr A. H. L.

[75] Comma A. B. [76] instead of temporall read no A.B. [77] restraine MS. B. C. D. E. F. [78] cyvill A. [79] fword A. B. F. fwoorde L. [80] Comma A. B. [81] Rubborne MS. A. B. F. stubburne H. I. L. [82] evill MS. F. [83] p. 19. MS. [84] Busshoppe MS. Byshoppe B. I. Bishop F. L. [85] England F. [86] read the cyvill lawes, may A. B. only in B. read civill. [87] maie MS.

maye I.

90 no Comma MS.

[89] deith MS.

[88] punyshe A. B. H. I.

punish F. L.

A Collation of 146

capitalia [37], & gravia crimina [38], morte punire.

Christianis licet [29], ex mandato magistratus [40], arma portare, & justa bella administrare.

[37] no Comma MS. W. [38] no Comma W.

[39] no Comma W. [40] no Comma W.

ARTICULUS TRICESIMUS OCTAVUS.

[1] De illicita bonorum Communicatione.

Acultates & bona Christianorum [2] non sunt communia [3], quoad jus & possessionem [4] (ut quidam [5] Anabaptistæ falso jactant [6]) De-

[1] The Title is, Christiano- | renthesis. MS. W. rum bona non funt communia. MS. W.

[2] p. 33. W.

[3] no Comma MS. W.

[4] a Comma instead of the Pa- Parenthesis. W.

[5] Anabaptiste MS. [6] a Comma instead of the Parenthesis. MS.

a full Point instead of the

[91] heynous and [92] greevous offences.

It is [93] lawfull for [94] Christian men [95]. at the [96] commaundement of the Magistrate. to [97] were weapons [98] and ferve in the warres.

[91] heinous MS. B. [92] grevous MS. B. grievous B. F.

[93] lawefull A. [94] Christen A.

[95] no Comma MS.

[96] comaundemente MS. commandment F. commaundemente I. [97] wear MS. A. B. C. D. E. F. H. I. [98] no Comma B.

The THIRTY EIGHTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of Christian Mens [2] Goodes, [3] which are not common.

HE [4] rychesse and [5] goodes of Christians [6] are not [7] common, as [8] touchyng the [9] ryght, [10] tytle, and possession of the same, as [11] certayne [12] Anabaptistes [13] do [14] false-

[1] This Article is marked 37. MS.

The Title runs thus, Christen mens goodes are not common. MS. A. B. only in MS. and B. read Christian.

[2] goods F. L. [3] whiche H. L.

[4] riches MS. B. F. ryches A. C. D. E.

[5] goods A. B. F. L.

[6] Comma A.

[7] comon MS.

[8] touching MS. A. C. D. E. F.

[9] righte MS.

right A. B. F. [10] title MS. A. B. C. D.

E. F. [11] certaine MS. F.

certeyne A. [12] Anabaptists MS. F.

[13] doo L.

[14] p. 36. A. falselie MS. falfly E.

bet tamen quisque de [7] his [8] quæ possider, pro facultatum ratione [9], pauperibus [10] elemosynas benigne distribuere.

[7] hijs MS. W.

[8] que MS.
[9] no Comma MS.

[10] eleemofinas MS. eleemofynas W.

ARTICULUS TRICESIMUS NONUS.

[1] De Jurejurando.

Uemadmodum juramentum vanum [2], & temerarium a Domino nostro Jesu Christo, & Apostolo ejus Jacobo, Christianis hominibus inter-

[1] p. 24. p. 18. MS. The Title is, Licet Chriflianis jurare. MS. W. [2] no Comma MS. W.

ly [15] boast. [16] Notwithstandyng [17] every man [18] ought of [19] suche [20] thynges as he possesses the possesses to [21], [22] liberallye to [23] geve almes [24] to the poore, [25] according to his [26] habilitie.

[15] booste MS. boaste A. B. L.

[16] notwithstanding MS.

B. F.

notwithstandynge A. [17] Comma A. B. F. H. I. L.

everie MS.

[18] oughteth MS. [19] fuch MS. A. F. L.

things MS. F. thinges C. D. E. H. L.

[21] no Comma MS.

[22] liberally A. C. D. E. F.

. 1. L.

[23] give MS. F.

[24] Comma A. B.
omit to the poore, A. B.

[25] according MS. F. I.

[26] habilitye MS. abilitie F.

The THIRTY NINTH ARTICLE.

[1] Of a [2] Christian Mans [3] Othe.

A S [4] we confesse [5] that [6] vayne and [7] rashe [8] swearing is [9] forbidden Christian [10] men [11] by [12] our [13] Lord [14] Je-

[1] This Article has Numb. 38.

p. 32. B.

The Title runs thus, Christian men may take an othe.
MS. A. B. only in B. read oth,
and in MS. there is no Point after othe.

[2] Chritian E.

[3] oath F. [4] wee F. [5] Comma A.

[6] vaine MS. F.

[7] rash B. F. L. [8] swearyng A.

[9] forbydden A.

[10] menne A.
[11] Comma MS. A. B.

[12] oure MS.

[13] Lorde MS. A.

[14] Jesu B.

dictum esse [3], fatemur [4]: ita [5] Christianorum religionem minime prohibere censemus, quin jubente magistratu [6] in causa sidei [7], & charitatis [8] jurare liceat, modo id fiat juxta [9] prophetæ doctrinam, in justitia, in judicio [10] & veritate.

[3] no Comma MS. W.

[4] Comma MS.
[5] read Christianam MS.W.
[6] Comma W.

[7] no Comma MS. W.

[8] Comma W.

[9] prophete MS.
[10] Comms MS. W.

fus [15] Christe [16], and James his apostle: So [17] we Judge [18] that [19] Christian religion [20] doth not prohibite, but that a [21] man [22] may [23] sweare [24] when the Magistrate [25] requireth, in a cause of [26] faith and [27] charitie, so it be done [28] according to the [29] prophetes [30] teaching [31], in Justice, [32] Judgement [33], and [34] trueth.

[15] Christ A. F. L. [16] no Comma MS.

[17] p. 25. us also in C. D. E.

G. H. I. K.

[18] Comma B.

[19] Chrystyan A. [20] doeth F. L.

[21] p. 20.F.

[22] maye A. B. [23] swere A.

[24] Comma B.

[25] requyreth L. [26] faithe MS. fayth A. B. L. [27] charity F.

[28] accordinge MS. according F.

[29] prophettes MS. prophets B. F.

[30] Comma MS. teachinge MS. teachyng A. L.

[31] no Comma MS.

[32] judgemente MS. [33] no Comma MS. A.

[34] truthe MS.

[1] Consirmatio Articulorum.

HIC liber antedictorum articulorum jam denuo approbatus est, per assensum, & consensum serenissima Regina Elizabetha Domina nostra,

[1] In MS. after the foregoing 39 Articles, there follow three more, which are numbred in the Margin, 40, 41, 42, and have a Line made with red Lead drawn along the Margin over against them, like to what the Printers call a Brace. These three Articles are written thus.

Resurrectio mortuorum nondum est facta.

Refurrectio mortuorum non adhuc facta est, quasi tantum ad animum pertineat, qui per Christi gratiam a morte peccatorum excitetur. Sed extremo die, quoad omnes qui obierunt, expectanda est, Tum enim vita defunctis (ut scripture manifestissime testantur) propria corpora, carnes, & ossa restituentur, ut homo integer, prout se gessit in corpore sive bonum sive malum reportet.

Defunctorum anime, neque cum corporibus intereunt, neque ociofe dormiunt.

Qui animas defunctorum prædicant ufque ad diem judicii, absque omni sensu dormire, aut illas afferunt una cum corporibus mori, & extrema die [a] cum illis excitandas, ab orthodoxa side, que nobis in sacris literis traditur, prorsus dissentiunt.

Non omnes tandem servandi.

Hi quoque damnatione digni funt, qui conantur hodie pernitiosam opinionem instaurare, quod omnes quamtumvis impii servandi sunt tandem, cum definito tempore, a justicia divina, penas, de admissis slagitiis suerunt.

Then follows this Form of Subscription.

Hos articulos fidei Christiane, continentes in universum novemdecim paginas in Autographo, quod asservatur apud reverendissimum in Christo patrem, Dominum Mattheum Cantuariensem

[1] The Ratification.

THIS Booke of Articles before rehearfed, is [2] agayne [3] approved, and allowed to be holden and executed within the Realme, by the

[1] The Ratification is not in MS. A.B.

But there is in MS. the following Subscription.

We Tharchbishoppes and Bishoppes of either province of this Realme of Englande, lawfullie gathered together in this provinciall fynode holden at London with continuations and prorogations of the same, do receive, professe and acknowledge thes 38the articles before written in 19 pages going before, to conteine true and sounde doctrine, and do approve and rates the same by the subscription of our handes the x1th daie of Maye in the yere of our Lord. 1571. and in the yere of the raigne of our soveraigne Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god of England France and Irelande Quene defendor of the faith. &c. the thirtenth.

Matthue. Cantuar Rob. Winton. Jo. Heref. Richarde Ely Nic. Wigorn. Jo. Sarisburien. Edm. Roffen

Ni Bangor Ri: Cicestren: Thom: Lincoln Wilhelm⁹ Exon.

[2] againe F.
[3] approoved F. L.

Dei gratia Angliæ, Franciæ, & Hiberniæ Reginæ defensoris sidei &c. retinendus, & per totum regnum Angliæ exequendus. Qui Articuli, & lecti sunt, & denuo confirmati, subscriptione D. Archi-

ensem Archiepiscopum, tocius Anglie Primatem & Metropoli-

Et in prima quatuor articulos, & lineas [b] triginta quatuor in fecunda pag. articulos, duos, lineas viginti octo.

in 3ª pag. artic tres lineas viginti septem.
in 4ª pag. artic tres line viginti suinque.

in 5ª pag, artic. tres. lin. viginti quatuor.

in 6ª pag, artic. duos lin. viginti quinque.

in 8ª pag, artic, duos, lin, viginti unam. in 9ª pag, artic, quatuor, lin, viginti novem.

in 102 pag. artic. quatuor. lin. viginti novem.
in 102 pag. artic. unum lin. viginti quatuor.
in 112 pag. artic. duos, lin. viginti unam.

in 12ª pag. partim articuli preceden lin. [c] quatuordecim

in 13ª pag. artic. tres, lineas viginti.

in 14ª pag. artic. tres lineas viginti unam. in 15ª pag. artic. unum. lineas triginta.

[d] in 16a pag. artic. duos, lineas viginti quatuor in 17a pag. artic. unum. lineas viginti tres.

unum octo in 182 pag. artic. [e] tres, lineas [f] viginti duas.

[g] in 19. pag. artic. unum lineas viginti octo.

in

Note, That this, and the other Corrections in this Register, were

made by the same Hand that first wrote it.

[d] p 20. MS.

[e] The Word tres has a Line drawn under it with black Ink, and

& unum is written over head.

[g] This Line has a Line drawn under it with a red Lead Pencil.

[[]b] Here the Word viginti was originally written; but 'twas afterwards struck thro' with black Ink, and the Word triginta was written over it.

[[]c] Here the Word viginti was originally written; but'twas afterwards struck thro' with black Ink, and the Word quatuordecim was written after it.

[[]f] The Words viginti duas have a Line drawn under them with black Ink, and the Word octo is written over the Space between the swo Words.

[4] affent and consent of our [5] Soveraigne [6] Ladye [7] Elizabeth [8], by the grace of God, of [9] Englande, [10] Fraunce [11], and [12] Irelande [13], Queene, Defender of the [14] fayth [15]. &c. [16] Which Articles were deliberately read, and [17] confirmed [18] agayne by the subscription of the [19] handes of the [20] Archbyshop and [21] Byshoppes of the upper house, and by the subscrip-

[4] ascent C. D. E. [5] sovereigne F. [6] Lady F. Ladie L.

[7] Comma F.

[8] no Comma F. [9] England F.

[10] France F. [11] no Comma F.

12 Ireland F. L.

13 Comma L. [14] faith F.

[15] Comma F. [16] whiche L.

[17] confyrmed L. [18] againe F. [19] hand F.

[20] Archbishop F. [21] Bishops F.

episcopi, & Episcoporum superioris Domus, & totius Cleri inferioris Domus in Convocatione Anno Domini. 1571.

in 204 & hac ultima pag, lineas decem & (h) quatuor.

Nos Archiepiscopi & Episcopi utriusque provincie regni Anglie in sacra synodo provinciali [i] legitime congregati, recipimus & profitemur, & ut veros atque orthodoxos, manuum nostrarum subscriptionibus approbamus, vicesimo nono die mensis Januarii Anno Domini secundum computationem Ecclesie Anglicane millesimo, quingentesimo, sexagesimo, secundo & illustrissime Principis Elizabethe Dei gratia Anglie, Francie, & Hibernie Regine, sidei desensoris &c. Domine nostre Clementissime, anno quinto

Mattheus Cantuar
Edm. London.
Rob. Winton.
W. Cicestren
Richardus Elien
Ed. Wigorn.
Jo. Heref.
Rolandus Bangor

Thomas Ebor.

Ja. Durefme
Willm⁹ Ceftrens

[k] Nycholas Lincoln
Jo. Sarisburien
R. Meneven
Gilb Bathôn. & Wellen
Thomas Coven & Lichf.
W. Exon
Joannes Norvic.
Edmund Petriburg
Thomas Assaphen

[i] The Word et was written here, but was struck out again.

[k] p. 21. MS.

[[]h] The Word quatuor has a Line drawn under it, and tres is written over head.

tion of the whole Cleargie in the neather house in their Convocation, in the [22] yere of our [22] Lorde [24] God [25]. 1571.

[22] yeere F. L. [23] Lord F.

[24] omit God F. [25] no Point F.

[1] The Table.

- I Of [2] fayth in the [3] Trinitie.
- 2 Of [4] Christe the Sonne of God.
- 3 Of his [5] goyng downe into Hell.
- 4 Of his Resurrection.
- 5 Of the Holy [6] Ghoft.
- 6 Of the sufficiencie of the Scripture.
- 7 Of the Olde Testament.
- 8 Of the three [7] Credes. 9 Of [8] Originall Sinne.
- 10 Of [9] Free [10] Wyll.
 11 Of Justification.
- 12 [11] Of good [12] workes.
- [1] The Table is not in MS. A. B.
- [2] faith F.
 - [3] Trintie F.
 - [4] Christ F. [5] going F.
 - [6] Ghoste L.
 - 7 Creed F. L.

- [8] insert the F. original L.
- [9] free-will F. [10] wyl L.
- [11] This and the other Titles. down to the 19th, are torn off from the Copy I used. F.
 - [12] woorkes L.

Instead of this Ratification of the Articles, there are in Wolf's Edition the following two Paragraphs, viz.

Hos articulos fidei Christianæ, continentes in universum novendecim paginas in autographo, quod asservatur apud Reverendissimum in Christo patrem, Dominum Matthæum Cantuariensem Archiepiscopum, totius Angliæ Primatem & Metropolitanum, Archiepiscopi & Episcopi utriusque provinciæ regni Angliæ, in facra provinciali synodo legitime congregati, unanimi assensi recipiunt & prositentur, & ut veros atque orthodoxos, manuum suarum subscriptionibus approbant, vicesimo nono die mensis Januarii: Anno Domini, secundum computationem ecclesæ Anglicanæ, millesimo quingentesimo sexagesimo secundo: universusque Clerus inserioris Domus, eosdem etiam unanimiter & recepit & prosessus est, ut ex manuum suarum subscriptionibus patet, quas obtulit & deposuit apud eundem Reverendissimum, quinto die Februarij, Anno prædicto.

Quibus omnibus articulis, Serenissima Princeps Elizabeth, Dei gratia Angliæ, Franciæ & Hiberniæ Regina, Fidei Defenfor, &c. per seipsam diligenter prius lectis & examinatis, Re-

gium suum assensum præbuit.

- 12 Of [12] workes before Fustification.
- 14 Of [14] workes of Supererogation.
- 15 Of [15] Christe alone without Sinne.

16 Of Sinne after Baptisme.

17 Of Predestination and Election.

18 Of [16] obtayning salvation by Christe.

19 Of the [17] Churche.

20 Of the [18] aucthoritie of the [19] Churche.

21 Of the [20] aucthoritie of [21] generall [22] Coun-

22 Of [23] purgatorie.

23 Of [24] ministring in the Congregation. 24 Of [25] speaking in the Congregation.

25 Of the [26] Sacramentes.

26 Of the [27] unworthynesse of the Ministers.

27 Of Baptisme.

28 Of the [28] Lordes Supper.

29 Of the Wicked [29] whiche eate not the body of 20 Christe.

30 Of both [31] kyndes.

31 Of [32] Christes one Oblation,

- 22 Of the [22] mariage of [24] Priestes.
- [13] woorkes L. [14] woorkes L.

- [15] Christ L. [16] obteinyng L. [17] Church F. [18] authority F.
- [19] This Word also, except Ch, is torn off from the Copy I used. F.
 - [20] authority F.
 - [21] insert the F. general L.
 - [22] counselles L.

This Word is torn off from

the Copy I used. F.

- [23] purgatory F. [24] ministryng L.
- [25] speaking F.
- [26] facraments F.
- [27] read worthinesse of ministers. F.

unwoorthynesse L.

- [28] Lords F.
- [29] which F.
- [30] Christ F.
- [31] kindes F. [32] Christs F.
- [33] marriage F. L.
- [34] priests F.

Then follows this Correction,

A. ij. facie. 2. linea. 10. lege. essetque hostia non &c.

N.B. This Correction has been already mention'd in the Jecond Article, Numb. 24.

Then follows

Excusum Londini apud Reginaldum Wolsium, Regiæ Majest. in Latinis Typographum. Anno Domini. 1563.

33 Of excommunicate persons.

34 Of traditions of the [35] Churche.

35 Of Homilies. 36 Of consecration of Ministers. 27 Of [26] Civill Magistrates.

28 Of Christian mens goods.

29 Of a Christian mans [27] Othe.

40 Of the Ratification.

[38]

[35] Church F. [36] civil L.

[37] oath F. [38] infere Finis. F.

[1] Imprinted at London [2] in [3] Poules [4] Churchyard [5], by [6] Richarde Jugge [7] and John Cawood, [8] Printers to the [9] Queenes Majestie [10], in Anno Domini. 1571.

Cum privilegio Regiæ Majestatis.

[1] What follows, is wanting

in MS. F. [2] Comma B.

omit in Poules Churchyard L.

[3] Powles A. B. C. D. E.

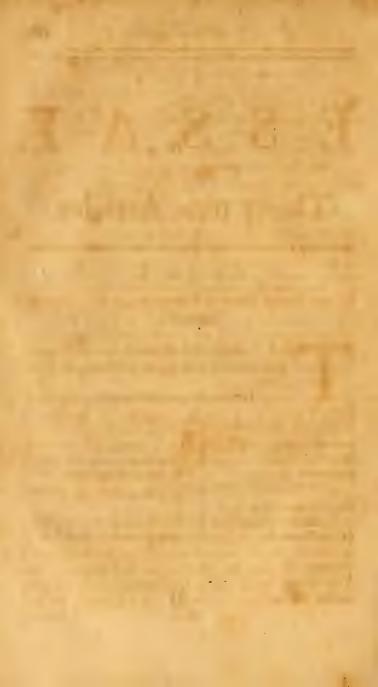
[4] read Church yarde A. B. [5] no Gomma A.

[6] Richard A. G. L.

[7] put a Comma after Jugge B. I. and omit and John Cawood L.

[8] printer L. 9 Quenes A.

[10] a full Point; and omit in anno Domini. 1571. A. B. L.



AN

ESSAY

ONTHE

Thirty nine Articles.

CHAP. I.

Of the several Sorts of Variations in the foregoing Collation.

HE Variations exhibited in the foregoing Collation may be reduced to Five Heads.

1. Different ways of Spelling the very same Words; for Instance, imposterum or in posterum; quamquam or quanquam; Christ, Christe or Chryst; such or suche; thinges, thynges or things. To which may be added Christian or Christen; state or estate; compted or accompted; the authority or thauthority.

2. Difference of Pointing; as a Colon for a Com-

ma, or the like.

3. Manifest Mistakes of the Press or Pen. First, of the Pen; for Instance, in the Latin Copies, Art.

2. Numb. 20. ex quibus et unus for ex quibus est unus; uterentur in Art. 25. Numb. 39. for uterentur; the Use of the single e for a Diphthong, as que for qua, ecclesse for ecclesse. Secondly, of the Press; for In-M 2 stance,

stance, in the Latin Copies, patim for partim; expiari for expiare; efficatia for efficacia; præsbiteris for presbyteris; elevebatur for elevabatur; pertinent for pertinet; and in the English Copies, in the Title of the Ninth Article, birth or sinne for or birth sinne; in the Twenty third Article, Numb. 19, for those we ought to judge lawfully called and sent, whiche be chosen and called to this worke by men, &c. the Copy L reads, those we ought to judge lawfully called and which be sent, called and cho-

fen to this woorke by men, &c.

4. Different Placing of the very same Words. Of this Sort there are tew Instances. In the Latin Copies, in the Sixth Article, First, in Numb. 2. Welf reads funt ad salutem necessaria, but the MS. and Day reads ad Salutem Sunt necessaria; Secondly, in Numb. c. Wolf reads ad necessitatem salutis, but the MS. and Day read ad Salutis necessitatem; Thirdly, in Numb. 29. Wolf reads libros omnes, but the MS. and Day read omnes libros. In the English Copies, in the Third Article, A and B place for us, not after died, but after buried; in the Sixteenth Article, A and B place the Word not, not at the beginning, but before the Word sinne; in the Thirty fifth Article, in the Title of the Ninth Homily, A and B place the Word knowen after tongue; and the same Copies place the Title of the Nineteenth Homily before that of the Twentieth.

5. Difference in the Words themselves, by Alteration, Addition, or Substraction. Instances of this

Sort are numerous.

What use may be made of, and what Consequences drawn from, these Variations, the following Papers will discover.

CHAP. II.

Of the Transcript from the Records produced by Archbishop Laud in the Starchamber; of the Register of the Upper House of the Convocation in 1562, published by Dr. Gibson in his Synodus Anglicana; of the MS. Copy of that Register; and of Dr. Heylyn's MS. Abstract of some Records of Convocation.

PEFORE I proceed any farther, 'tis necessary for me to observe, that the Original Registers of that Convocation, which passed the Articles in 1562, are not extant. For they were consumed in the dreadful Fire of London. However God's good Providence has preserved to us diverse Papers, which afford great Light, and do in a good Measure supply the Loss of the Original Registers.

For,

First, 'twas objected against the Prelates in the Reign of King Charles the First, that they had falsify'd the Articles of our Church, by soisting in that which is now commonly called the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article. This Accusation, amongst diverse others, Archbishop Laud undertakes to answer in his samous Speech in the Starchamber. I shall have occasion to consider his other Pleas hereafter. At present I take notice only of his Appeal to the Records then extant in the Registry of his See, a Transcript from which, attested by a public Notary, he then produc'd in open Court. Observe that Great Man's Words.

But, my Lords, I shall make it plainer yet: for 'tis not' fit, concerning an Article of Religion, and an Article of M 2

Such consequence for the Order, Truth, and Peace of this Church, you should rely upon my Copies, be they never so many, or never so ancient. Therefore I sent to the Public Records in my Office; and here under my Officer's hand, who is a public Notary, is returned me the Twentieth Article with this affirmative Clause in it. And there is also the whole Body of the Articles to be seen. Remains, Vol. 2. p. 83.

Now that very Paper, which the Archbishop then produc'd, and which was aftested by a public Notary, is still extant. The Copy I follow, was transcrib'd from the Original, and communicated to me, by the Reverend Mr. G. Harbin, Chaplain to the Right Honorable Thomas Lord Viscount Weymouth. And the present Proprietor of the Original, is Coll. Gabriel Hale of Cottells in Wiltshire, who is the Grandson of that Excellent Person Sir Matt. Hale, sometime Lord Chief Justice of England, and one of the Executors of the great Mr. Selden, who probably obtained this Curiofity of Mr. Prynne, who took from the Archbishop, by virtue of an Order of Parliament, no less than one and twenty Bundles of Papers, which he had prepared for his Defence; and of which, notwithstanding his solemn Promise, Mr. Prynne never returned him more than three.

The aforesaid Paper is thus endorsed by the Archbishop's own Hand,

June 12. 1637. A Transcript out of my Registry concerning the Twentieth Article of those that were made 1562.

The Paper it self runs thus.

Extract.

Extract. e Registro Principali Sedis Archiep. Cant. &c. Acta Convocationum tempore Revmi Dni Parker Archiep. Cantuar. &c.

Menrici 7mi infra Ecclesiam Collegiatam D. Petri Westmon. situat. tenta die Martis, 190 die mensis Januarii, Sess. 32ia pag. 196 20. prædicti libri, inter

alia actum erat prout sequitur.

· Tandem dictus Revmus accessiri jussit ad se Prolocutorem domus inferioris, Qui quidem Prolocutor una cum · sex aliis de Clero dictæ domus infer. coram Patribus sui copiam faciens, proposuit & asseruit, quod quidam de dict à domo exhibuerant quasdam diversas Schedas de rebus Reformandis per eos respective excogitat. & in Scripta redact. Que quidem Schede de communi consensu traditæ sunt quibusdam viris gravioribus & doctioribus de cætu diet. domus infer. ad boc electis perspiciendæ & considerandæ. Quibus sic electis (ut asseruit) assignatum est, ut bujusmodi Schedas in Capitula redigant, ac in proximà Sessione exhibeant coram eodem Prolocutore; & ulterius proposuit quod articuli in Synodo Londinensi tempore nuper Regis Edw. 6ti (ut afferuit) editi, traditi sunt quibusdam aliis viris ex cœtu dictæ domus infer. ad hoc etiam electis, ut eos diligenter inspiciant, examinent & considerent, ac prout eis visum fuerit, corrigant & reforment, ac in proximâ Sessione etiam exhibeant. Et tunc Revmus bujusmodi negotia per dictum Prolocutorem & Clerum incepta approbavit, ac in eisdem in prox. Sessionem juxta eorum determinationem procedere voluit & mandavit.

Octava Seffio.

Die Veneris 29° viz. die mensis Januarii Anno Domini prædicto, inter horas 8 & 9am ante meridiem ejusdem diei, Revmo in Christo Patre Dno Matthxo Archi-M 4 episcopo episcopo Cantuar. &c., nec non Rewerendis Patribus Dnis Edmundo London, Rob. Winton. Johan. Hereforden. Rolando Bangor. Joan. Sarum. Nicolao Lincoln. Johanne Norwicen. Richardo Meneven. Thoma Asaphen. Edmundo Rossen. Richardo Glocestren. Thoma Coven. & Litchfeld. Gilberto Bathon. & Wellen. Richardo Elien. & Wilhelmo Exon. respective Epis. in domo Capitulari Ecclesiae Cathedralis D. Pauli London. congregatis, post tractatum aliquem inter eos habitum, tandem super quibus dam Articulus orthodoxae sidei inter Episcopos, quorum nomina eis subscribuntur, unanimiter convenit, quorum quidem articulorum tenores sequuntur in libro præd. In quo tenore Articulus vicesimus de Ecclesiae authoritate sic se babet in hac verba, p. 27.

Habet Ecclesia ritus statuendi jus & in sidei controversiis auctoritatem, quamvis Ecclesiæ non licet quicquam instituere quod verbo Dei scripto adversetur, nec unum Scripturæ locum sic exponere potest ut alteri contradicat; quare licet Ecclesia sit divinorum librorum testis & conservatrix, attamen ut adversus eos nihil decernere, ita præter illos nihil credendum de necessitate salutis

debet obtrudere.

P. 31.
Hos Articulos fidei Christiane, continentes in universum novendecim paginas in autographo, quod asservatur apud Revomum in Christo Patrem Dnum Matthæum Cantuar. Episcopum totius Angliæ Primatem & Metrop.
Archiepiscopi & Episcopi utriusque Provinciæ Regni Angliæ in Sacra Provinciali Synodo legitime congregati
unanimi assensu recipiunt & prositentur, & ut veros &
orth donos manuum suarum subscriptionibus approbant
29º die mensis Januarii Ano Dni secundum computationem Ecclesiæ Anglicanæ 1562°. Universusq; Clerus
inferioris domus eosdem etiam unanimiter & recept &

professus est, ut ex manuum suarum subscriptionibus patet, quas obtulit & deposuit apud eundem Rewnum 5 to die Februarii anno prædicto.

In Convocatione tentà Ano Dni 1571 inter alia, p. 110. continetur ut sequitur.

Et tunc dictus Revmus (dimisso Clero domus infer. exceptis Prolocutore ac Decanis & Archidiaconis) voluit & justit, ut omnes de cætu eorum, qui Articulis, de quibus in Synodo Londinensi Ano Dui juxta comput. Ecclesiæ Angl. 1562. inter Archiep. & Epis. utriusq; Provinciæ, nec non universum Clerum convenit, hactenus non subscripserunt, modo eis subscribant; & quod omnes & singuli, qui eisdem Articulis subscribere noluerint aut recusaverint (si qui tales inveniantur) a dicta domo inferiori & cætu Cleri præd. penitus excludantur.

In Convocatione tenta Ano Dni 1604, Regniq; serenissimi Dni Jacobi Regis Anno 2do, Revdo Patre Dno Richardo London. Epis. tunc Præsidente.

Seff. 16.

Demum idem Revdus Præses London. Epis. protulit quendam Librum articulorum de quibus in Synodo London. communi assensu Archiep. Epis. & Cleri utriusq; provinciæ consensum est Anno Dui 1562, ad tollendam opinionum varietatem & confirmand. veram, uniformem Christi Religionem Regia authoritate & assensu publicatis, & in Anno Dui 1571 per, & c, revisis. Quem per Mag. Wil. Wood Legum Doctorem alta & intelligibili voce perlegi fecit; quo lecto dicti Revdi Patres consensum & assensum suos eisdem Articulis præstiterunt, & eorum nomina manibus suis propriis eisdem articulis respective subscripserunt tunc & ibidem.

Concordat cum Registro præd. facta collatione per me Jac. Wade Notarium Publicum.

Nay,

In this Paper, wherein are diverse Passages, which will be of Use hereafter, the Appeal to the Records in the Registry, and the Attestation of the Public Notary, are manifest. And 'tis very observable, that after he had finish'd his Evidence, and wiped off that foul Slander, the Archbishop concludes that Head of his Speech with a solemn Challenge in these Words; Therefore I do here openly in Starchamber charge upon that pure Sect this foul Corruption of falsifying the Articles of the Church of England.

Let them take it off as they can.

Now let us consider the Circumstances. Had he been base enough to attempt it, yet 'twas utterly impossible for the Archbishop to impose upon the World in this Case. For he appeal'd to Records lodged in a public Office. That Office was foon after in the Power of his most implacable Enemies. Those very Persons, at whose Sentence he deliver'd his Speech, and appeal'd to the Records, and before whose Faces he produc'd the Transcript above recited, and made that folemn Challenge (nay, and one of which was the Author of that very Accusation of falsifying the Articles, in answer to which Accusation the Archbishop did all this) were all of them alive, and in great Reputation with his bitter Persecutors, at that very time, when his own Registry, as well as all other public Offices, was in their Hands. They wanted neither Malice nor Curiofity to examin, what he had urged in defence of himself and his Brethren. They would have been glad to blacken him to the very utmost (as they afterwards did in all possible Instances) and the Discovery of such an impudent Fraud would have difgraced him more than all their other Charges. Yet nothing of this kind was ever fo much as pretended.

Nay, 'tis exceedingly remarkable, that his furious Adversaries did, in the height of their Prosperity, make Inquiry concerning the Articles. This appears from the *History of his Troubles and Tryal*, wherein (a) we have the following Passage;

A Committee of the House of Commons sent Mr. Dobson my Controwler to me to the Tower, to require me to fend them word under my Hand, what Originals I had of the Articles of Religion established 1562 and 1571. This was on Wednesday, July 12. And I returned by him the Same Day this answer in Writing, with my Name to It. The Original Articles of 1771, I could never find in my Paper Study at Lambeth, or any where else: and whether any Copy of them were ever left there, I cannot tell. The Original Articles of 1562, with many Hands to them, I did fee and peruse there: but whether the Bishops Hands were to them, or not, I cannot remember. This Answer satisfy'd them: but what their Aim was, I cannot tell; unless they meant to make a search about the two first Lines in the Twentieth Article, concerning the Power of the Church, in these Words, The Church hath Power to decree Rites or Ceremonies, and Authority in Controversies of Faith: Which Words are left out in diverse printed Copies of the Articles, and are not in the One and twentieth of Edw. 6. nor in the Latin Copy of the Articles 1571. But in the Original Articles of 1562, the Words are plain and manifest, without any interlining at all. If this were their aim, 'tis probable, we shall see Somewhat, by what their Synod shall do concerning that Article.

It feems, they wanted not to know, what was in his Registry. They were already Masters of that (which never was in his own immediate Possession,

but

⁽e) Remains, Vol. I. p. 208, 209.

but in the Hands of his Officers) and they could fatisfy themselves. But some Particulars in his Speech, wherein he mention'd the subscribed Copy that was in his own Hands, made them ask, what Originals HE had, viz. in his own Custody, either formerly, or at that time. For it must be remembred, that his Palace at Lambeth, and consequently his Paper Study there, had been rifled long before; and the Papers prepared for his Defence had been newly taken from him: by one of which Methods they were already Mafters of the subscribed Copy, which afterwards Mr. Selden obtained, and is now lodged amongst his Books in the Bodleyan Library, as I shall soon shew. They were desirous therefore to know, whether he had formerly had more Originals than those which they had actually gotten into their Hands, and whether he had any then by

Now, when they were thus upon the fearch, can it be imagined, that they would neglect that very Registry to which he had appealed for the authentic Record of the Articles? Or would they have concealed it, if any of the Records had been missing; or if the recorded Articles had read otherwise than he pretended? I must own, the Archbishop's Appeal to the Records in his Registry, is in my Opinion, by reason of such wonderful and unparallel'd Circumstances to strengthen and confirm it, equal to the Oaths of a Thousand Witnesses. And consequently it demonstrates, that the Paper above recited is an authentic Transcript from the Records in the Office of his See, and that we may

him in the Tower, which had escaped the ravenous

Claws of Mr. Prynne.

intirely depend on the Contents of it.

Secondly, There is now in the Possession of Charles Battely, Esq; Receiver of the Church of

Westmin-

Westminster, a Quarto MS. Volume, containing things of various Natures, but especially Transcripts from the Records of Convocation, and particularly the intire Register of the Upper House in 1562. This Book did manifestly once belong to Archbishop Parker; for his Hand Writing appears in several Places of it, and his red Lead Pencil very frequently. From this Volume a Copy of the Acts of the Upper House in 1562 was taken, from which Transcript Dr. Gibson printed the Register of the Upper House of that Convocation in his Synodus Anglicana.

'Tis certain, that the Register in this Quarto MS. is not an Original. To prove this, I might urge, that 'tis not only found in company with a Mifcellany of great Variety, but also writ in such a Manner, as I dare say no Original Acts of the Upper House were ever written in. Besides, there are no less than two Sheets of Paper, filled with Particulars of different Kinds, in the Body of these very Acts; by reason of which the Account of what past on Feb. 26. is divided into distinct Parcels at a confiderable distance from each other.

But what I chiefly infift upon is this. The Paper produced by Archbishop Land shews, r. That the Articles of Religion, with the Ratification, were exhibited at large in the Original Register of the Upper House, and that the Pages were numbred; whereas in this Quarto MS. the Articles and Ratification are omitted, and the Pages are not numbred. 2. That in the Original Register the Sessions were numbred; whereas in this MS. nothing of this Kind is to be found. And as for the Numbers of the Seffions found in the printed Copy, they were added for Convenience only; and are somewhat different from those in the Record. For Arch-

Chap. II.

Archbishop Laud's Paper makes the 19th of Fan. the Third Session, whereas the printed Register makes it the Fourth. The Archbishops Paper also makes the 29th of Jan. the eighth Session, whereas the printed Register makes it the ninth. This was occasioned by reckoning (in the printed Register) Fan. 12. for the First Session; whereas, tho' the Convocation met on Jan. 12. yet it was not opened till the 13th, as the printed Acts shew. And accordingly, in Dr. Heylyn's Abstract, of which I shall presently give an Account, tho' fan. 13. is not expresly called the first Session, yet (which necessarily implies as much) fan. 16. is expressly called the fecond Session, and Jan. 29. is expresly called the eighth Session. And the other Sessions are also numbred in like manner, perfectly agreeable to the Course of the printed Acts and Archbishop Laud's Paper.

'Twill be convenient also to take notice, that in the printed Register some few things are abbreviated. Particularly the Names of the Suffragan Bishops are not recited, as they are in the said Quarto MS. in exact Conformity with Archbishop Laud's Pa-

See the Editor's Preface, p. 9.

Thirdly, Francis Lord Bishop of Rochester has a Quarto Volume written, for the most part, by Dr. Heylyn's own Hand, entituled, Remembrances of Affairs in Church and State, and containing, amongst a great Variety of other Particulars, what the Dr. calls, An Abstract of the Records of Convocation from the Year 1528. to the Year 1580. inclusively. This Abstract, which is written by the Doctor's own Hand, is manifestly drawn from the Records of the Upper House only. For I do not remember, that he ever mentions any thing relating to the Lower House, but what must have been of course recorded in the Upper House CHAP. Books.

CHAP. III.

The Proceedings of the Convocation with relation to the Articles down to Jan. 29. 1562.

HAVING thus prepared the Way, I shall now give an Historical Account of the Proceedings of this Convocation with respect to the Articles, gathered from the several Papers above mentioned.

Jan. 19. 1562.

The Upper House conferr'd de quibusdam Articulis ad Christianam sidem pertinentibus, &c. Synod. Anglic.

p. 193.

The Prolocutor, not to mention other Particulars, acquainted the President, Quod Articuli in Synodo Londinensi, tempore nuper Regis Edwardi Sexti (ut asseruit) editi, traditi sunt quibusdam aliis viris exexu dicta domus inferioris, ad hoc etiam electis, ut eos diligenter perspiciant, examinent, & considerent; ac prout eis visum suerit, corrigant & reforment, ac in proxima Sessione etiam exhibeant. Et tunc Reverendissimus bujusmodi negotia per dictum Prolocutorem & Clerum incepta approbavit, ac in eisdem erga proximam Sessionem juxta eorum determinationem procedere voluit & mandavit. Archbishop Laud's Paper, and Synod. Anglic. p. 193.

Fan. 20.

The Upper House de & super quibusdam Articulis sacrosanctam Christi Religionem concernentibus, de quibus in Actis hesterni diei sit mentio, per spacium trium borarum aut circiter inter se tractarunt & communicarunt. Synod. Anglic. p. 194.

Jan. 22, 25, 27.
The Upper House conferr'd, probably about the

Articles. Synod. Anglic. p. 194, 195.

In all the foregoing Particulars Dr. Heylyn's Abfract confirms what the printed Register says. Only the Abstract does not mention what passed on Jan. 25, and 27. as being of small Moment: but passes from Sess. 5. to Sess. 8. All which is perfectly consistent with the sull Account of the printed Register, and most sutable to the Design of an Abstract.

And thus are we come to the famous 29th of fanuary, on which the Upper House signed the Articles, as the Latin MS. in Bennet College Library, and the Postscript to Wolf's Edition, and the printed Register in Synodus Anglicana, p. 196. and Dr. Heylyn's Abstract, expressly testify. Wherefore, tho' this MS. which was then subscribed, has been faithfully exhibited in the Collation already; yet I shall now present the Reader with a second (and in some Respects, a more distinct and particular) View of it.

CHAP. IV.

An Account of the Latin MS. in Bennet College Library, which was Sign'd by the Bishops on Jan. 29. 1562.

HERE is, amongst many others, in a Folio Volume called Synodalia, in Bennet College Library, a Parcel confisting of fix Sheets of Paper, which are all of them sowed in together, being all of them folded one within another, Folio wise.

Of these fix Sheets the first, third, sisth and sixth are of the same Finess, and bear the same Mark, viz. a Flower Pot with the Letters H D upon the Belly of it. The second and sourth Sheets are marked with a Flower Pot without H D upon the Belly

of it. The fecond Sheet is also finer and thinner than any of the rest: but the fourth, tho' it has the fame Mark with the fecond, and feem's rather finer than the first, third, fifth and fixth; yet is not so fine as the second.

The two first Pages of the outer Sheet (being the whole first Leaf) are blank: and the five inner Sheets contain a written Copy of Forty two Articles of Religion, with a Form of Subscription, and the Autographal Names of eleven Bishops, as the Collation shews. And as for the two last Pages of of the outer Sheet, the upper part of the first of them contains the Autographal Names of nine other Bishops (as the Collation shews) and the latter part of the same Page is blank. The whole Page also on the backfide of it (being the last Page of the outer Sheet, and consequently of the whole Parcel) is all blank; except that on the upper part of the faid backfide Page these Words (Nos Archiepiscopi & Episcopi utriusq; provinciæ bujus regni Angliæ in sacra Synodo Provinciali legitime congregati) are written by the fame Hand (I am persuaded) which wrote that MS. English Copy of the Articles, which was signed by eleven Bishops in 1571, and of which I shall afterwards give a full Account. The Words aforesaid are not crossed, nor struck thro'; and for what End they were written, I presume, 'tis impossible to determin.

All the Forty two Articles, with the Form of Subscription, contained in the aforesaid five inner Sheets, appear to have been originally written by the same Hand, in order to the Subscription of the Bishops. However, it must be observed, that the Writing of the fecond Sheet (which contains the first Leaf of the Articles, and that Leaf in which the Bishops Subscriptions begin) is somewhat closer,

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and the Ink fomewhat blacker, than in the other four Sheets: and the Figures in the second and fourth Sheets, which express either the Numbers of the Articles in the Margin, or the Numbers of the Pages at their respective Tops, are somewhat fmaller than in the other Sheets, wherein they feem to be of the same Size with one another.

'Tis probable therefore, that the faid Articles were at first transcrib'd, not only by the same Person, but also with the very same Ink, and on the very same fort of Paper: but that fo many Alterations were made by the Bishops in their three Hours Debates on the 20th of January (and some perhaps on the 22d, 25th, and 27th of the same Month) that there was a Necessity of new writing over the second and fourth Sheets, which occasioned the Particulars before mention'd, notwithstanding the same Person

was imploy'd, who wrote them at first.

That those Forty two Articles, as they at present appear to have been transcrib'd in order to the Bishops Subscription, are in many Respects very different from the Articles of King Edward the fixth. is evident at first sight to such as are acquainted with King Edward's Articles: and those that are not, may find King Edward's Articles in Bishop Sparrow's Collection, and compare them with the MS. as 'tis exhibited in the foregoing Collation; which Collation also shews, how much the MS. differsfrom Wolf's Edition.

But then it must be observed, that after the said Forty two Articles had been so transcrib'd in order to the Bishops Subscription, diverse Alterations were made therein, partly with a red Lead Pencil.

and partly with black Ink.

That all the red Lead Marks were made by Archbishop Parker, I believe, no body ever did or will doubt.

doubt. Since, as Mr. Strype (a) affures us, be commonly used a red Lead Pencil for noting, as he read any Book.

Now those red Lead Marks are of different Kinds. First, sometimes a Line is drawn at the head of the Lines of the Text, like to what the Printers call a Brace. Thus the 40th, 41st, and 42d Articles are mark'd. Secondly, a Line is drawn thro' the Texts in Art. 3. Numb. 2. Thirdly, in Art. 28. Numb. 22. not only Lines are drawn thro' the Text, but those red Lines are also cross'd thro' again with other red Lines. Fourthly, a Mark of Transposition is put in the Margin in Art. 6. Numb. 22. Fifthly, a Word is added in red in the Margin, and a red Mark of Infertion is put in the Text, in Art. 9. Numb. 24. and Art. 34. Numb. 8. Sixthly, a red Line is drawn under some Words of Art. 25. Numb. 30. and under one Line of the Register in the form of Subscription.

Now the three first Sorts of red Lead Marks do manifestly denote, that a total Omission of those Parts of the Text was resolved on in Convocation; and they are accordingly omitted in Wolf's Edition. And the Mark of Transposition, which is the fourth sort, is also followed by Wolf; which shews, that that Transposition was also resolved on by them. As for the fifth sort, the Convocation certainly resolved on that Instance in Art. 34. Numb. 8. For the Word is added in Wolf's Edition. And as for the second Instance of the fixth sort, viz. the red Line drawn under one Line of the Register in the form of Subscription, 'tis manifest, that it betokens a total Omission of the Contents of that Page, which that Line of the Register refers to. Thus far therefore we are clear. But as for the second Instance of

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⁽a) Annals, Ch. 28. p. 288,

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the fifth fort, viz. the Addition of Carnis in the Margin of Art. 9. Numb. 24. and the first Instance of the fixth fort, viz. the red Line drawn under some words of Art. 25. Numb. 30. which Words do appear in the Edition of Wolf; we are as yet uncertain, what was meant thereby; and therefore I shall at present infer nothing from them, nor conclude any thing concerning them.

As for the Alterations made with black Ink, they are partly in the Text of the Articles, and partly in the form of Subscription. Those in the Text are of three forts. Fuft, some Words are added with black Ink in the Body of the Text, as 'twas prepared by the Transcriber. There is but one Instance of this kind, viz. in Art. 28. where the Reader will find, Numb. 22. that a good deal is underdrawn and cross'd thro' with the Archbishop's red Lead Pencil. Now the first Period of that which is so underdrawn and cross'd, viz. these Words (Corpus Christi datur accipitur & manducatur in cena, tantum celesti & spirituali ratione.) was certainly written by the Archbishop himself, it being in his own Hand, who found room, between the Conclufion of the foregoing Paragraph, and the beginning of what the Transcriber had made a new Paragraph, viz. Christus in celum, &c. to write down the aforesaid Words. With what View the Archbishop wrote them down, I can't fay: but however, his own red Lead Pencil, as was before observed, has effectually dash'd them out again, with much more that follows. Secondly, some Words or Figures are blotted out with black Ink in Art. 6. Numb. 23. Art. 22. Numb. 10. and Art. 23. Numb. 13. Now all these Instances were most certainly, either Alterations resolv'd on in Convocation, or the Copyers Mistakes corrected. For the MS. and Wolf's Edi-

tion agree in all of them. Thirdly, black Ink Lines are drawn under some Words, viz. in the Title of Art. 16. and in Art. 21. Numb. 9. and others are written with black Ink, in the first Instance over Head, in the fecond Instance in the Margin. As for the first of these Instances, the Words after Bap-tism were written by the Archbishop himself over in spiritum sanctum, as Mr. Strype (b) observes; and its manifest, that the Convocation resolv'd on the Alteration; because the' 'twas hastily set down in English in this MS. yet the Latin of Wolfius reads post baptismum. As for the latter Instance, I can't affirm, that the Correction was made by the Archbishop himself; nor can I say, when 'twas markt, or what was meant thereby. And therefore I shall at prefent infer nothing from it, nor conclude any thing

concerning it.

As for the Alterations made with black Ink in the form of Subscription, they are all of them (except the Copyer's Mistake about et, which see in Note (b) p. 156.) Corrections of the Numbers of Articles, and of the Lines contain'd in each Page that was subscrib'd; because by expunging so many Particulars, the Numbers were made sometimes very different from what they were, when the Copyer had finish'd his Transcript. And these Corrections were exactly futed to the Alterations made in the Text, except in the first Page, wherein there were originally thirty four Lines, tho' the Copyer had in his Register writ but twenty four. And tho' afterwards three Lines, and about a fourth part of another, were drawn thro' with the red Lead Pencil; yet thro' hast no notice was taken of that Particular, tho' twas notoriously resolv'd on by

⁽b) See strype's Annals, Ch. 28. p. 288.

the Convocation, and the Words were accordingly

omitted in Wolf's Edition.

But I must observe, for the preventing a Mistake, that whereas the Register says, there were originally twenty four Lines in the twelfth Page, which Number is afterwards corrected and made fourteen; 'tis possible, that some Persons may think the Register false in that Particular, because in Reality twenty five Lines do plainly appear in the Text. Let it therefore be remembred, that Archbishop Parker's Autographal Addition to the twenty eighth Article, of which I took notice just now, filled up part of an original Line written by the Transcriber (which concluded the Paragraph) and also made one whole Line besides: so that the Lines prepared by the Transcriber were only twenty four; and when part of what the Transcriber had writ, and all Archbishop Parker's Addition, was dash'd out at once, the Correction was exactly made by changing twenty four into fourteen.

Upon the Whole it is evident, that (excepting only three) all the Alterations now found in the Copy then prepared for Subscription, were resolv'd on in Convocation; and either actually made before the respective Hands were set, or immediately

added by joint Confent of the Subscribers.

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Of the Subscription of the Bishops.

ET us now consider, what Bishops subscrib'd the Articles then passed by the Upper House. The Bennet College MS. has the Original Subscriptions of the Archbishop and sixteen Bishops of

he Province of Canterbury, viz. London, Winchester, Chichester, Ely, Worcester, Hereford, Bangor, Lincoln, Sarum, St. David's, Bath and Wells, Coventry and Litchfield, Exeter, Norwich, Peterborough, and St. Alaph; as also of the Archbishop of York, with two others of his Province, viz. Durham and Chester. Now it must be observ'd, that the Copy of the Record produced by Archbishop Laud, and Mr. Battely's MS. Register of the Upper House assure us, that sixteen Bishops of the Province of Canterbury were present on the said 29th of Fanuary, in the Chapter House of St. Paul's in London, where the faid Subscription was made, viz. the Archbishop and thirteen others of the Subscribers above recited, and the Bishops of Rochester and Glocester, whose Names do not appear subscribed to the MS. Here therefore there arises a Question, viz. whether the Bishops of Rochester and Glocester did subscribe the Articles in 1562.

For my part, I own my felf fully persuaded, that those two Bishops did not then subscribe the Articles. There is certainly no Evidence that they did. I confess, Mr Strype, speaking of the Subscriptions of the Bishops in this Year, has (a) these Words, I observe four Bishops wanting, viz. those of Bristow, Rochester, Oxford and Gloucester. Oxford was yet Vacant; and the Bishop of Gloucester (who held Bristow in Commendam) I will not say, refused Subscription, or absented; for I find in certain Extracts out of the Registers of Convocations, that Bishop did subscribe, his Name being there entred among the rest; and so also is that of the Bishop of Rochester. And in the Margin Mr. Strype places these Words, Penes Fra. Atterbury, D. D. Decan, Carliol, as if what he affirms, were warranted by, and might be found in, Dr. Heylyn's MS.

⁽a) Annals, Ch. 28. p. 289.

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Abstract (the same which Mr. Strype calls the Extracts) in the Hands of the present Bishop of Rochefer: Now, as the World will eafily pardon a small Failing in a Man to whom they are so deeply oblig'd; fo I am fure, that Candid Gentleman will thank me for flewing, that he is in this Particular

mistaken. He had not seen the Original Abstract, nor Mr. Battely's MS. Register; but only a Transcript of them both together, contriv'd to answer each other in opposite Pages, made by the present Bishop of Rochester for his own Use. This Book his Lordship. lent Mr. Strype. Now in the MS. Register, the Names of the Bishops that were present on the 29th of January, are recited, just as they stand in Arch-bishop Laud's Paper, and the Bishops of Rochester and Glocester are numbred with the rest. Mr. Strype therefore, feeing that those two Bishops were then present, concluded somewhat too hastily, that they Subscribed also in Company with their Brethren. Whereas the Words of the Record, as we find them both in Archbishop Laud's Paper, and the Register, do not imply so much. 'Tis said, that such Bishops were present, and that the Articles were agreed to by those whose Names are subscrib'd: but 'tis by no means faid, that all those Bishops who were prefent, agreed to the Articles, and subscrib'd them. Mr. Strype did not observe this, and accordingly fell into an Error. He happened also at the same time to quote the Abstract, instead of the Large Register which was transcrib'd in opposite Pages with it; whereas the Abstract, speaking of the Subscription made on that Day, has only these Words, Friday Jan. 29. at Eight in the Morning the Archbishops and Bishops being met in the Chapter House of S. Paul's post tractatum aliquem inter Episcopos habitum, tandem super quibusdam articulis

articulis orthodoxæ fidei inter Episcopos quorum nomina iis subscribuntur, unanimiter convenit. Quorum quidem arti-culorum tenor sequitur, & sunt tales. Then the Doctor gives us the Title of the Articles, &c. Wherefore there is no Proof that the Bishops of Rochester and Glocester subscribed.

And I'm fure, there is no reason from the Nature of the Thing, to suppose that they did. For their Subscriptions were not in any respect necesfary; the Articles being unquestionably pass'd and Subscrib'd by a competent Number, even a great Majority of the Bishops of both the Provinces.

But for my own part, I can't forbear thinking,

that the very Acts themselves do fairly intimate, if not necessarily imply, that they did not subscribe. For let us consider the Words. We are told, that super quibusdam articulis orthodoxæ fidei inter Episcopos, quorum nomina iis subscribuntur, unanimiter convenit. Certainly, had all the Bishops who are said to have been then present, subscrib'd the Articles; the Record would have read only thus, super quibusdams articulis orthodoxæ fidei inter Episcopos convenit, or to that Purpose; and perhaps'twould have been afterwards added, that the Bishops then present subscrib'd. But fince the Record is so peculiarly and odly worded; fince there is so manifest a Restriction inserted, by saying, that those Bishops agreed on the Articles, who also subscrib'd them: I can't but believe, that we are thereby defignedly inform'd, that there were some Bishops then present, who did not subscribe the Articles, because they did not agree to them. And 'tis evident, that the Nonfubscribers could be none but the Bishops of Rochester and Glocester. Wherefore, till I can meet with good Evidence, or at least with strong Prefumptions, of the contrary; I shall take the Liberty of maintaining, that those two Bishops did not

Subscribe the Articles of Religion in 1562.

Nay, I'm convinc'd, that they were both of them stedfastly resolved against it. Otherwise they could not have forborn doing it on some of those many Days, on which they afterwards appeared in Convocation. For the Register assures us, that the Bishop of Rochester was actually present in the Synod on Feb. 3, 10, 13, 15, 19. and on March 1, and 19. and that the Bishop of Glocester was also actually there on Feb. 3, 5, 10, 13, 15, 19, 22, 24, 26. and on March 8, and 10. So that, tho' they had frequent Opportunities (and doubtless they wanted not the Sollicitations of their Brethren) yet they never would fet their Hands.

Nay farther, I will subjoin a Conjecture touch-

ing the reason of their not subscribing.

Mr. Strype has (b) these Words; It may be noted, that the Divines in those Times seemed not fully agreed in the Doctrine of the Presence : if we may be-(*) Proof. Anlieve what Dorman (*) writ soon after no 1564. this Synod; viz. That there was a Controversy in this New Church (as he called it) concerning the Real Presence of Christ's Body and Blood in the Sacrament. And that Mr. Gest preaching at Rochester (where he was Bishop) preach'd for the real Presence; Mr. Grindal at London (where he was Bishop) for the contrary. To which Dorman added (to make the Difference in this Article seem greater) that Mr. D. Parker of Canterbury (as he stiled him) being suspected, he said, to be a Lutheran, must hold a third Opinion of the Presence. To which it is worth observing, as to the Truth of this (t) Confut. of Charge, what Reply Dr. Nowell (†) makes. That these were small Matters in Dorman, f. 362.

⁽b) Annals, Ch. 28. p. 296, 297.

comparison, however he called them by the Name of Schism, and that they little troubled the State of the Church; while he named one as divers from other in Opinion in one Point, and falsely surmised of another (meaning the Archbishop) to be a Lutheran.

Now I take it for granted, that Mr. Strype's Quotations from Dorman and Nowell are true. And if fo; as Dean Nowell, who was Prolocutor of the Lower House in this very Convocation, had good reason to deny, that Archbishop Parker was a Lutheran (for the Archbishop had actually subscrib'd the Twenty ninth Article, as appears by the Bennet College MS. and had made the Reference to St. Aufin with his own Hand: by which'twas evident, that he could not believe Consubstantiation) so he dares not to deny, but does in Effect own, what Dorman faid with relation to the Bishops of London and Rochefter. And confequently 'tis highly probable, that Bishop Gest might at that time scruple the Doctrine of the Twenty ninth Article, and for that Reason refuse Subscription. Tho' he came off from those Notions afterwards (as diverse Persons in those early Daies entertain'd different Opinions at different Times about the Sacrament) and subscrib'd that very Article in the Convocation of 1571, as appears by the Bennet College English MS. subscrib'd in that Year by him and ten other Bishops.

As for Cheny the Bishop of Glocester, he probably refused Subscription for the same Reason. For Mr. Strype (c) has these Passages concerning him; The Archbishop of Canterbury issued out a Commission to him, under the Title of Bishop of Glocester, and Commendatory of the Cathedral Church of Bristol, appointing him his Vicar-General, Delegate, and Commissary-General

⁽c) Annals, Ch. 25. p. 345, 246.

in Spirituals, and Keeper of the Spiritualty of the City and Diocese of Bristol: To visit the Church of Bristol, &c. And this during the Vacancy of the See. This Commission was dated at Lambeth, May 3. But it was not long before this Commission was taken away from him again by the Archbishop, disliking most probably some of his Principles and Opinions. At which Bishop Cheny took such distast, that he wrote to Sir Will. Cecil to release him of the Bishoprick of Glocester. And in September he renewed his Request, that he might have leave to resign his Office, considering the Jurisdiction of Bristol was taken from him: and such Preaching in the Rash and Ignorant, be said, was continued in Glocester Diocese, as his poor Conscience could not think to be good. What this Preaching was, we may guess, and but guess at, by the Remembrance of a former Bishop there; namely Hoper; who did not much affect Ceremonies, either of Habits or Ornaments of Religion, nor allowed of any manner of Corporeal Presence in the Sacrament: Which Sentiments most probably were by bim or his Chaplains so diligently sown in that Diocese, that much of them remained to this Day; Opinions, by no means liked of by Bishop Cheny, who was, as Camden saith of him, most addicted to Luther, both in respect, I suppose, of the Doctrine of the Presence, as also for the retaining of many old Customs, as Crucifixes and Pictures of Saints in the Churches, and such like. He had made some Complaints to the Archbishop of rash Preaching, when he was at London; and the Archbishop promised him Countenance in suppressing it. And accordingly he had a Commission from bis Grace, as was before said. But after some short time he and his Principles were better known, and less approved: Which caused the Archbishop, as we may conclude, to withdraw his Commission. This made him tell the Secretary, that his Grace of Canterbury acted contrary to his Promise with him.

And (d) again; In the Synod in April, Anno 1571. be was solemnly denounced Excommunicate by the President, the Lord Archbishop himself, for Absence and Contumacy, in Henry the Seventh's Chapel, before the whole Synod.

And (e) again; One of his Successors in the See of Glocester, named Godfrey Goodman (who indeed turned Papist) in a certain MS. Book of his own writing, makes the World believe, that this Bishop Cheney was a Papist, and was suspended in the Court of Arches for Popery, and had brought up his Servants Papists. But I do not find any where, that he was indeed of that Faith any further than that be was for the Real, that is, the Corporeal, Presence of Christ in the Sacrament. By a Letter wrote unto him in November, 1571. by Campian the Jesuit. who knew him well, we rather collect the contrary. For therein he earnestly exhorted him to return to the Church; That he was more tolerable than the rest of the Hereticks, because he held the Presence of Christ in the Altar, professed the Freedom of Man's Will, and punished not Catholicks in his Diocese; whereby he got the Hatred of the Puritans: yet be tells him that he was Hæreticorum Odium & Catholicorum Pudor; that is, such a one as the Hereticks hated, and the Catholicks were ashamed of. And his Suspension, which is spoken of (if true) related, no Question, partly to his being in the Queen's Debt, partly to his Lutheran Doctrine, but chiefly to his Excommunication.

And (f) again; On this he built his Real Presence in the Sacrament; because this was the ancient Faith, and the Christian World, and the Company of Bishops, who were the Keepers of that which was committed to the Church

(Custodes Depositi) held this Doctrine.

⁽d) p. 246.

⁽e) p. 247. (f) p. 248;

Nor do I believe, that Bishop Cheny did ever subscribe the Twenty ninth Article. For the the 13 Eliz. c. 12. obliged the inferior Clergy to Subscription; yet the Bishops are exempted from that Ne-

ceffity by the very Letter of the Act.

As for the Subscriptions of the Bishops of Chichefter, Worcester, and Peterborough, together with those of the Archbishop of York, and his Suffragans of Durham and Chester, which appear in the MS. they were probably very soon added, tho' perhaps not on the 29th of Fanuary, but on some one or more other Daies; there being no reason to affix a different Date of their Subscriptions, tho' subsequent to those made on the 29th of Fanuary; this being agreeable to what is commonly practis'd in numberless other Cases; and what was certainly done in this very Case by the inferior Clergy, as appears from those Passages, which I shall produce in the next Chapter. The Bishops of Chichester and Peterborough were in the Synod on Feb. 3. and the Bishop of Worcester on Feb. 5. I presume therefore, that they subscrib'd at their first Appearance after the 29th of Fanuary, when the Subscription began. But I can't guess at the Day, on which the Archbishop of York, with his Suffragans of Durham and Chefter fubscrib'd: nor can I guess, in what Place they did it: for the Acts do not mention, that they were ever present in Synod.

CHVP. VI.

Of the Subscriptions of the Inferior Clergy.

EXT to that first Parcel of six Sheets of Paper, which contains the Articles subcribed by the Bishops on Jan. 29. 1562, there follows, in the Volume Synodalia, a second Parcel of two Sheets only, folded one within another, Folio wise, of the the very same fort of Paper with the first, third, sisth and sixth Sheets of the first Parcel.

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whole first Leaf) are blank.

Then, in the upper part of the third Page (which is the first Page of the inner Sheet) are these Words (probably in the Hand of the Actuary of the Lower House; however, in a different Hand from that in which the Articles subscribed by the Upper House are writen) Hi quorum nomina sequentur propriis manibus subscripscrunt libello articulorum a Reverendissimo Archiep. Cant. & Episc. provinciae Cantuar. ad infer. Do-

mum Convocat. transmisso 50 Feb. 1562.

Then follow the Subscriptions of the Clergy: concerning which I must advertise the Reader, I. That tho' I shall express their surnames with as much Exactness as I am able; yet I do not oblige my self constantly to express every Letter of their Christian Names at large, nor to give their Titles exactly as they stand in the Original. I may print the Words sometimes shorter and sometimes more at Length, than the Persons themselves wrote them: and in such Cases I think it sufficient, if the Reader understands them. However, if any odd or salse Spelling appear in the Print, 'tis certainly to be found

found in the Original. 2. That as Mr. Strype (a) observes, many of them wrote so ill, that 'tis a difficult Task to read their Names; which probably therefore may bave occasioned a Mistake or two in the true Transcription thereof. Accordingly I hope, I shall be excused, if in some Particulars I read differently from Mr. Strype; especially since I have the Advantage of the later Examinations of several very good Judges. 2. That for a Reason, which will discover it self in the Sequel, I have distinguish'd the Subcriptions by Numeral Figures. These things being premis'd,

The Names contain'd in the third Page of this Parcel of two Sheets, that is, in the First Page of the inner Sheet, are these which follow.

(b)

I Stephanus Nevinson, Procurator Cleri Cant. subscripsi propria manu.

2 Ricardus Besely, scripsi manu propria, Procurat.

Cler. Cant.

3 (c) Johannes Bridgwater manu propria scripsi.

4 Fohannes Calverley manu propria scripsi, unus Procurat. Cler. Roffen. Dioc.

5 Tho. Wattes, Procurat. Capituli S. Pauli London. &

Archidiaconus Midd.

6 70. Mullyns, Archid. Lond. ac unus Procurator. Cler. Dioc. ejusdem.

7 Tho. Colus, Archidiac. Effenia.

(a) Annals, Ch. 28. p. 291.

(b) Noze, That Room was left in this Place (I suppose) for the Prolocutor to subcribe: but he did not.

(c) Bridgwater was probably one of the Proctors for the Clergy of Rochester.

8 Johan. Pullan, Archid. Colchestria.

9 David. Kempe (d) de Albano.

10 Facob. Calfbil, Procurator Cleri Londinensis & Oxoniensis Capituli.

11 Guillielmus Latimerus, Archid. Westm. & Decanus Petriburg. & Procur. Capituli ejusdem Ecclesia.

12 Ricardus Reve, Procurator Capituli Westm.

13 Gabr. Goodman, Decan. Westmonast.

14 Joan. Watson, Archid. Surrey. 15 Johan. Ebden, Procur. Wintoniensis.

16 Ra. Coccrell, Procurat. Surr.

- 17 Tho. Lancaster, Thesaurarius Sarum. 18 Richard. Chandler, Arch. Sarensis.
- 19 Facob. Procter, Cleri (e) Sarensis. 20 Hugo Turnbull, Decanus Cicestr.
- 21 Wilhelmus Bradbridge, Cancellarius Cicestrensis.

22 Tho. Spenser, Archid. Cicestr.

23 Edmund. Westonus, Archidiaconus Lewensis.

24 Persivallus Wiburnus, Proc. Ecclesiæ Cathedralis Roffensis.

The Names contain'd in the fecond Page of the inner Sheet, are these which follow.

25 Joan. Cottrell, Archid. (f) Wellensis.

26 Richardus Guyn, Procur. Cleri Bristol.

27 Facob. Bond, Archid. Bathon,

⁽d) He was Archdeacon of St. Alban's. See Newcourt's Hift. of London Diocese, Vol. 1. p. 95.

⁽e) Sarensis is twice written, only the later is plainer.
(f) There is one Magister Cotrell Archidiaconus Dorset in the Acts of Feb. 26. Perhaps the same Person was Archdeacon both of Dorset and Wells. For no other Archdeacon of Dorset fubscribes.

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- 28 Justinianus Lancastre, Archidiac. Taunton. 29 Gualterus Bowerus, Proc. Cleri Somerset.

20 Tho. Sorebæus, Proc. Cleri Cicestr.

Stephanus Cheston, Archid. Winton.

22 Robertus Lougher, Archid. Totton. & Proc. Cleri Exon.

Rous Tremayne, Procurat. Cleri Exon. 33

Tho. White, Archid. Berks. 34

Robertus Wysdom, Archid. Elyensis. 35 Gregorius Garthe, Proc. pro Cap. Ely. 26

Joannes Bell (g). 37

Tho. Ithell, pro Clero Diocef. Eliensis Procurat. 38

Tho. Sampson, Dec. Eccl. Christi Oxon. 29

Johan. Salisbury, Decan. Norwic. 40 Tho. Roberts, Proc. Cleri Norw. 41

Johan. Walkerus, Procur. Cleri Suffolc. 42

Johan. Lawrance, Archid. Wylts. 43 Johan. Ælmerus, Archid. Lincoln. 44

William Todd, Archid. Bedford. 45

Fob. Longland, Archid. Buckingham, 46 Robert Beaumont, Archid. Huntingdon. 47 Tho. Godwyn, Proc. Cleri Lyncoln. 48

Johan. Kenall, Arched. Oxon. & unus Procurat. 49 Cleri Oxon.

50 Guido Heton, Archid. Gloscestrensis.

FI Georgius Savage, Procurator Cleri Gloc.

§2 Anthonius Hinton, Procurat. Cleri Petriburgh. & pro Archid. Northampt.

⁽g) I am apt to think, that Bell was one of the Proctors for the Clergy of Ely Diocese. That one John Bell was Proctor for the Clergy of Ely Diocese in the Years 1586 and 1588, appears from the Original Books of the Lower House in the Archbithop's Registry.

53 Will. Fluyd, Procur. Cleri Petriburg.

The Names contain'd in the third Page of the inner Sheet, are these which follow.

54 Joan. Pedder, Decan. Ecclesiæ Wigorniæ.

55 Robertus Avys, Proc. Cleri Wygorn.

56 Tho. Wilsonus, Proc. ejusdem.

57 Laurentius Nowell, Decan. Ecclesiæ Cath. Lych-feld.

58 Tho. Leverus, Archid. Coventr.

59 Arthurus Saull, Proc. Dec. & Capli. Eccles. Cath. Gloc.

60 Robertus Weston, Procurator Cleri Coventr. & Litchf. Dioc.

61 Tho. Byckley, Procurator Cleri Coventr. & Litchf. Dioc.

62 Ricardus Walker, Archid. (b) Stafford. & Derb.

63 Robertus Croleus, Arch. Hereford.

64 Robertus Grinsell, Archid. Salop. & Procur. Capli. & Cleri Hereford.

65 Nichus Smyth, Procurat. Cleri Hereford.

66 Thomas Linett, Precentor Menevensis. Idem Linett, pro Caplo & Clero.

67 Jo. Pratt, Archid. Menev. 68 Jo. Butler, Archid. Cardigan.

69 Wa. Jones, Archid. Brecon.

70 Robertus Pownde, unus pro Clero Berks.

71 Guilibelmus Constantyne, Proc. Cleri Mineven.

72 Hugo Evans, D. Assaphensis.

73 Richardus Rogers, Arch. Asaph. 74 Job. Pric, Proc. Cleri Assaven.

75 Edmundus Mevrik, Arch. Bangor.

⁽b) This Walker is styled Archdeacon of Stafford in the Acts of Feb. 26. but perhaps he had two Archdeaconries.

76 Per me Hugonem Morgan, Procur. Cleri Dioc.

77 Nicolaus Robynson, Archid. Merion.

78 Andreas Peerson, Proc. Cleri Landav. Dioc. subscripsi.

The Names contain'd in the fourth Page of the inner Sheet, are these which follow.

79 Guliel, Daye, Prapos. Coll. Regii de Eton.

80 Joannes Hyllus, Procur. Cleri Oxon.

81 Guilliellmus (i) . Archid. Carmerthen.

82 Thomas Powell, Procur. Cleri Assaph.

82 (k) Thomas Bolt, Archid. Salop. Thomas Bolt, Proc. Capli Ecclesiæ Chath. Lic.

84 Robertus Hues, Proc. Capli Assaph. 85 Micha. Reniger, Proc. Capli Winton.

86 Andreas Perne, Decan. Eliensis.

87 (1) Franciscus Mallet, Decan. Lyncolne per Procur.

88 Rychardus Barber, Archid. Leicystriæ.

89 (m) Robertus Lougher, Proc. Henr. Squire, Archid. Barum.

(k) Both these Subscriptions are in the very same Hand; so that Tho. Bolt subscrib'd twice upon the Account of his double

Right.

(1) The Subscriptions of Mallet and Barber are in the same Hand; but per Procur. seems to be in a different Hand.

(m) This is written in the same Hand with Numb. 32:

⁽i) 'Tis hard to fay, what this Gentleman's Name was. Mr. Strype reads it Bucson; another good Judge reads it Lewson; a third questions, whether either is the true Name. For my own part I guess'tis Lewson; because in a remarkable Division of the Lower House of this Convocation on Feb. 13. preserv'd amongst Mr. Petyt's Papers in the Inner Temple Library (Press 4th. Numb. 47. p 575. on the backfide) I find one Luson then in the House, who probably is the very Person whose Name we are now inquiring after.

90 Grego. Dodds, Decan. Exon. Proc. Ecclesia Cath. ibid. & Procur. Mri Smithe Archid. Landav. 91 (n) Willm Todd, Archedecon of Bedford.

The Names contain'd in the seventh Page of this Parcel of two Sheets, that is, in the third Page of the outer Sheet, are these which follow.

92 (o) Fohannes Ebden.

93 Willmus Evance.

94 (p) Andreas Peerson. 95 (q) Fohn Pric. 96 (r) Thomas Powell.

97 (1) Edmund Mevrik. 98 (t) Nicolas Robynson.

99 (u) Per me Robert. Pownde. 100 (w) Per Hugonem Morgan.

101 (x) Ric. Barbar, Nomine Procuratorio Mri Francisci Mallet Decan. Eccl. Cath. Lincoln. præmiss. subscribo; & etiam nomine meo præmiss. subscribo.

102 (y) Robert Evance.

(n) This is written in the same Hand with Numb. 45. (o) This is written in the same Hand with Numb. 15.

(p) This 13 written in the same Hand with Numb. 78. (9) This is in the same Hand that wrote Numb. 74.

(r) This is written in the same Hand with Numb. 82. (f) This feems to be written in the same Hand that wrote Numb 75.

(t) This is written in the fame Hand with Numb. 77.
(u) The fame Hand with Numb. 70.

(w) The same Hand with Numb. 76.

(x) There is a difference between the Hand in which this is written, and that in which Numb. 87, 88. are written.
(y) I am very apt to think, that Numb. 102. is in the same

Hand with Numb. 93.

The foregoing Subcriptions fill better than half

the Page; and at the bottom of this Page are writ-

en these Words,

Ista subscriptio facta est ab omnibus sub hac protestatione quod nibil statuunt in prejudicium cujusquam senatus consulti, sed tantum supplicem Libellum petitiones suas continentem bumiliter offerunt.

And note, that these Words are written by the same Hand, which wrote Hi quorum nomina, &c. at

the top of the first Page of these Subscriptions.

The next Page, viz. that on the backfide of the last Page of Subcriptions, being the fourth Page of the outer Sheet, is blank.

I will now make some Observations and Inqui-

ries relating to the Subcriptions above recited.

1. Tho' the Date which is fix'd in the Front of these Subscriptions, viz. Feb. 5. is in the Nature of the Thing capable of being understood of that Day, when the Book which was subcrib'd by the Lower House, was fent down from the Upper House to the Lower, as well as of the Day when the Subcriptions of the Lower House began; or tho' fome Persons may be inclined to think, that the Book was fent to the Inferior Clergy on the 5th of Feb. and that their Subscriptions began on the very same Day: yet it must be observ'd, 1. That the Postscript to Wolf's Edition, and the Attestation of the Register in Archbishop Laud's Paper, with which Dr. Heylyn's Abstract agrees, do expresly apply the Date of the 5th of February to the Subscriptions of the Lower House. 2. That the Book was certainly fent down from the Upper House to the Lower before the 5th of February. For, First, the Alts of the Upper House, and the Presace to the Subscripions themselves, do expresly say, that twas sent down by the Reverendissimus, as well as the the other Bishops of the Province of Canterbury: whereas it appears from the Alts, that the Archbishop was not in Synod on Feb. 5. Secondly, the Regifter fays in the Acts of Feb. 5. that the Book of Articles was fent down alias, as the Prolocutor affirm'd. Which Expressions, in the Convocational Phrase, imply, that 'twas fent down at some other time, which the Register could not affirm upon his own Knowledge, but knew it by the Prolocutor's faying fo in the Upper House. 'Twas therefore probably fent down on Feb. 2. when the Archbishop was in Synod, and delivered to the Prolocutor without the

Privity of the Register.

2. Tho'the Subscriptions bear Date Feb. 5. yet they were certainly made at different Times. For in the printed Register, with which Dr. Heylyn's Abstract agrees, we read, that on Feb. 5. the Prolocutor, &c. coram eisdem Patribus sui copiam faciens, porrexit & exhibuit coram eisdem Patribus quosdam Articulos sive Libellum de Doctrina, &c. a Reverendissimo Domino Archiepiscopo Cantuariensi & aliis Reverendis Patribus ad catum Ecclesiasticum dictæ Domus inferioris alias (ut asseruit) transmissos, ac per dictum cætum perspect. & propriis manibus nonnullorum ejusdem catus (ut apparuit) subscript. ac nomine & consensu (ut asseruit) totius cœtus Ecclesiastici dicta Domus inferioris rogavit Patres, ut omnes qui hactenus Articulis dicti Libelli non subscripserunt, id suis propriis manibus publice in frequenti cœtu Ecclesiastico dictæ Domus Inferioris, aut (si id recusarint) coram eisdem Reverendis Patribus facere cogantur. Et tunc Reverendi Patres unanimi consensu decreverunt, ut omnia & singula nomina eorum qui supra dictis Articulis nomina sua propriis suis manibus non subscripserunt, a dicto Domino Prolocutore descripta ad eos perferantur in proxima Sessione. Synod. Anglic. p. 206. And on Feb. 10. præsentavit & exhibuit Libellum Articulorum de doctrina, &c. de quibus in Q A ultima

ultima Sessine sit mentio; asserens, quod quidam de cœtu dictæ domus citra ultimam Sessionem dictis Articulis manus suas subscripserunt, ac quidam alii nondum subscripserunt. Unde dicti Patres voluerunt & mandarunt, quod nomina eorum, qui bactenus non subscripserunt, præsententur coram eis in proxima Sessione. Synod. Anglic. p. 207. Wherefore 'tis manifest, that the Actuary dated them on the Day when they were begun to be made; nor was it thought needful to set new Dates, when new Names were added in following Sessions. The same Practice obtained in the Upper House, as

has been already shewn.

3. It may be ask'd, whether the Inferior Clergy subscrib'd that MS. Copy of Articles, which immediatly precedes them in the Volume Synodalia, and which was undoubtedly subscrib'd by the Bishops. It has been generally thought they did. For the Subscriptions of the inferior Clergy have been esteem'd a part of that MS. Nor do I believe, that the contrary was ever suspected, till the present Bishop of Rochester examin'd those Papers. At least, I am sure, his Lordship gave me, who had so often seen them before, the first Intimation of their being different Parcels; which I afterwards found most evidently true. For the Resolution of this Question therefore, let it be noted,

First, That there is no Proof, that they did subscribe it. Had the Subscriptions of the inferior Clergy been made upon part of the same Parcel of Paper, or upon Paper which seems originally to have belong'd to that Parcel on which the Subscriptions of the Bishops were made; I would instantly own, that they subscrib'd that Copy. But the contrary is notorious. For, tho' the Papers containing the Subscriptions of the insertior Clergy are plac'd in the Synodalia next to

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this MS. (as in all Reason they ought to be, even tho' the Subscriptions were made to a different Copy; because they were so near in Time. and so near of Kin to each other, that no other Paper whatsoever could properly be plac'd between them) yet they are totally distinct from it. Nor is there any one Expression, which intimates their bearing any Relation to it. 'Tis indeed said, that the Clergy subscrib'd the Book or Copy sent them from the Upper House: But 'tis not said, that that MS. was the Copy; and it might have been a very different Copy, for ought that any of those Papers fhew to the contrary. Nay, I challenge the most prejudic'd Person to speak his Conscience, and tell me, whether if the Inferior Clergy did certainly subscribe a different Copy, they might not with the strictest Propriety have subscrib'd in that very Form which is now extant; and whether their Subfcriptions might not, and ought not, to be placed the very next to that MS. which contains the Articles of Religion with the Bishops Subscriptions to them. But,

Secondly, if there be no Proof, that the Inferior Clergy did subscribe that very MS. we have pretty good Reason to believe the contrary, viz. that they subscrib'd a different Copy. For, 1. Tho' the MS. Copy under Debate was well understood by the Bishops, who knew what Alterations were resolv'd on by themselves, and subscrib'd accordingly; yet can we conceive, that their Lordships would send to the Inferior Clergy such a corrected Copy, as they could not possibly understand, without some particular Memorandums or Instructions, of which there is not the least Footstep or Intimation? Surely Paper was not so scarce, nor Time so short, nor the Af-

fair of fo small Concern, but that a fair and intelligible Transcript might be prepared, and fent to the Inferior Clergy. 2. The Title of the MS. mentions the Bishops only: whereas, had the Copy been intended for the inferior as well as the superior Clergy, the Title would have been penn'd in a futable Manner; or at least a sutable Alteration would have been made, when the Inferior Clergy had subscrib'd. 3. Had the Inferior Clergy subfcrib'd that Copy, or indeed had their Subscriptions been annex'd to any particular Copy, they would not have begun their Subscription by saying, that they had subscrib'd the Book sent them down from the Bishops; but would have intimated, that they had subscrib'd buic libello, or something to that Purpose. 4. Had their Subscriptions been made to that Book; then, First, the Papers containing them would most certainly have been some way fasten'd to that Book. Whereas no Man can conceive, that two Sheets of Paper, folded the one within the other, were ever fastened by a Thread going thro' the midst of each Parcel (for there is not the least fign, that they were ever otherwise sewed) to fix others folded after the same Way. Surely the Proportions of the Parcels would have been better adjusted, and the Officers Clerks knew better how to few up Books, than after fo odd and inconvenient a Manner. Secondly, upon Supposition, that by fuch an unaccountable fewing, the two Parcels of Paper (the one of fix, and the other of two Sheets) were made one; yet furely the inferior Clergy would have begun their Subscriptions, tho' perhaps not in the half Page left vacant by their Lordships, yet at least in the next Page. Whereas it has been shewn, that there are no less than three Folio Pages and a half left blank, between the Sub**fcriptions** scriptions of the Bishops, and those of the Inferior

Clergy.

If it should be said, that the Subscriptions of the Inserior Clergy are made upon the same fort of Paper, which no less than sour of the six Sheets of that MS. of the Articles are written upon; and consequently seem to belong to it, and be a part of it; I answer, that it might be either part of a public Stock, which was laid in for the Use of the Convocation; or else the Officers of both Houses were furnish'd by the same Stationer, or different Stationers from the same Mill. For every body knows, that unless a Man's Consumption be greater than probably any Person's ever was, he must use part of the same Paper, which very many others are supply'd with.

'Tis probable therefore, that a fair Copy of the Articles, as they were corrected and subscrib'd by the Bishops, was transmitted to the Inserior Clergy; and that they made their Subscriptions to them on Paper, which was not fasten'd to that Copy which was sent them, but totally distinct, even that which is still extant in Bennet College Library. What asterwards became of the Copy now supposed to have been sent to the Inserior Clergy, and subscrib'd by

them, does not appear.

4. The inferior Clergy, whose Subscriptions are extant in Bennet College Library, were all of them of the Province of Canterbury; nor doth it appear, that those of the Province of York subscrib'd the Articles at all. Nay, I can't persuade my self, but that if they had ever subscrib'd them, some Notice would have been taken of it. Whereas, I. the Titles of the several Editions of the Articles, both Latin and English, place the Words utriusq; provinciae or of both the Provinces, immediatly after the Archbishops

and Bishops, and not after the Whole Clergy, as they would certainly have done, had the Inferior Clergy of both the Provinces, as well as the Archbishops and Bishops of both the Provinces, subscrib'd the Articles. 2. The Confirmation of the Articles in Archbishop Laud's Paper, the Abridgment of it in Dr. Heylyn's Abstract, and the Postcript to Wolf's Edition, mention only the Subscription of the Fifth of February; which tho' it may justly contain all those Subscriptions, that were afterwards made on the same Paper by the inferior Clergy of the Province of Canterbury; yet can't, I think, in Reason be extended to the Subscriptions of the inferior Clergy of the other Province, which must needs have been distinct (as appears from the Subscriptions of the Province of Canterbury still extant) and consequently of a different Date. 3. The present Bishop of Lincoln (7) gives us from their MS. Acts this Account of the Proceedings of the Convocation of the Province of York, viz. That it met according to its first Summons, January the 12th. That the Queen's Writ was read, and the Archbishop's Commission to certain Persons appointed to preside in his Stead. That on January the 13th, the Synod was prorogued to the 5th of February, and no manner of Business enter'd upon. That on the 5th of February they sat twice, and had some Debates concerning certain Articles, and about the Proctors Wages, concerning which they agreed to consult their Archbishop; which being done, the Assembly was continued to the 12th of March, above a Month after. That on the 12th and 13th of March they met, and agreed to a Subsidy for the Queen, and settled the Wages of the Proctors for Chester and Carlisle; which having done, they were again proroqued

⁽r) State of the Church, p. 501, 502.

to the last of March, above a Fortnight more. That on the last of March they did nothing, but were continued farther till the 28th of April; when they met again (almost three Weeks after the Parliament was risen) read the Queen's Writ of Prorogation, and were continued to the 3d of October following. From hence it appears, that the Lower House of the Province of York neither removed to London, nor fent any Deputation thither (as the Lower House of that Province did in the Year 1662, which perhaps is the only Instance of that fort that ever was) tho' the Title of the Articles shews, that the Synod they were subscrib'd in

by the inferior Clergy, was held in that City.

I am not ignorant, that that Passage of the Record of the Convocation in 1604, which is preserved to us in Archbishop Laud's Paper (see above, p. 169.) speaks of the Articles being agreed on by the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy, of both Provinces; which may be thought a Proof, that the inferior Clergy of the Province of York subscrib'd the Articles, as well as those of the Province of Canterbury. But I am verily perfuaded, that this was a Mistake of the Register concerning what he did not rightly understand; and I dare say, whoever considers the Nature and Circumstances of such Entries. will readily believe, that a Mistake touching what was transacted so long beforehand, might easily be made by the Register, and as easily be overlook'd by others, confidering that the difference was only in a Punctilio of Expression, which the very small in it felf, may fometimes lead into great Errors.

5. But tho' I can't think, that the Lower House of the Province of York subscribed the Articles; yet I am much inclined to believe, that the Articles lay before them for their Consideration. It appears from the Bishop of Lincoln's Account, that

they

they had some Debates concerning certain Articles; and I am of Opinion, that those were the Articles of Religion agreed on by the Upper House at London. For in the Records of that Province (from which his Lordship's brief Account is drawn) are these Passages (amongst others) touching what passed on Feb. 5.1562.

Convocatio five Synodus provincialis Reverendissimi in Christo Patris & Domini Domini Thomæ permissione Divina Ebor. Archiepiscopi Anglia Primatis & Metropolitani, alias inchoata, continuata est in hos diem, horas, & locum; Quibus die, horis, & loco facta præconizatione legitima comparuerunt, prout in schedula desuper confecta annotantur, nominati; & deinde habito tractatu per dictos Præsidentes sive Commissarios & cæteros comparentes & interesse debentes super quibusdam arduis negotiis, statum, bonum publicum, & conducentem ordinem Ecclesia, & Dei gloriam concernentibus, dictus Magister Johannes Rokeby, de consensu dictorum Collegarum suorum & cæterorum comparentium, continuavit hanc Convocationem five Synodum provincialem usq; ad & inter horas secundam & quar-

tam post meridiem istins diei boc loco.

Quibus die, boris, & loco coram eisdem Commissariis fa-Eta præconizatione comparuerunt, prout in schedula prædicta annotantur, & habito consimili tractatu concluserunt dictum Reverendissimum in Christo Patrem ac Dominum Dominum Thomam permissione Divina Ebor. Archiepiscopum consulendum fore super quibusdam articulis in quadam schedula apud Registrum remanente conscriptis. Et quoad feoda, &c. It feems, they debated about Matters of very great Importance; and yet they debated of nothing but those Articles, and the Wages of some Proctors for the Clergy of diverse Parts of that Province. I prefume therefore, that the Articles were those of Religion, which the Upper House of the Southern Province figned on Jan. 29. a Copy of which might well be transmitted to York, and be consider'd by the

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Convocation there on Feb. 5. which Convocation did not fign them, but refolved to confult their Archbishop, then at London, about that Affair. And 'tis probable it was determin'd by Him, and they were accordingly acquainted, that since the Bishops of that Province subscrib'd them at London, there was no Necessity of their being subscrib'd by the Lower House at York. However, I conceive, that they approv'd them. For otherwise I can't imagin, but we should have heard farther of it.

6. With respect to the Subscribers of the Southern

Province, we are to take notice,

1. That the Prolocutor never subscrib'd these Articles, tho' room was lest for him to do it, as was before noted. And this is the more remarkable, because he was so very realous in engaging the House to subscribe, as appears from those Passages in the Asts, which have been already cited, p. 199.

2. That diverse of them subscrib'd for themselves in a double Capacity. See Numb. 5, 6, 10, 32, 49,

62,90.

3. That others of them subscrib'd for themselves even in a treble Capacity, viz. Numb. 11, 64, to which perhaps may be added Numb. 66.

4. That 'tis uncertain in what Capacity some of them subscrib'd. See Numb. 3, 17, 21, 37, 79, 93,

102.

5. That the Archdeacon of Northampton, and also Mallet, Squire and Smithe, subscrib'd only by their Proxies. See Numb. 52, 87, 89, 90, and 101. I confess, the Form prefix'd to the Subscription supposes, that each Person was to subscribe with his own Hand. And therefore I presume, it was the first Intention of the House, that every Member should do so. But afterwards Proxies were admitted to subscribe

subscribe for absent Members; of which the Num-

bers already named are clear Proofs.

6. That some subscrib'd twice for themselves, viz. Barbar, Ebden, Meyrik, Morgan, Peerson, Powell, Pownde. Pric. Robynson, and Todd; and that Barbar (his Proxy) subscrib'd twice for Mallet. The Reason seems to have been this. Several of the Clergy were apprehensive of Danger, in case their Subscription should be deemed a Breach of the 25th of K. H. 8. c. 19. And therefore, to prevent Danger, that Protestation was made in the bottom of the last Page, which I have already taken Notice of. And by subscribing in that Page, they thought they discharg'd their Consciences in their Synodical Capacity, and escaped the Lash of the Law for fo doing. Others therefore, who had subscrib'd already, and were afterwards wrought into a fear of incurring the Penalty of the Statute, secured themselves and their Friends, and explain'd their Meaning, by subscribing again, for themselves or others, in that Page which the Protestation is written in.

Perhaps it may not be improper to add, that at the distance of about four or five Lines from the Names subscrib'd in the last Page of Subscriptions, there is a great I written. I presume therefore, that the Actuary was beginning to write the abovemention'd Protestation Ista subscriptio, &c. in this Place, but that upon second Thoughts, or perhaps by particular Direction, he wrote that Protestation at the bottom, thereby to leave room for more Persons to subscribe in that cautious manner.

But as for Todd, his Case is peculiar. Tho' he subscrib'd in the second Page, yet he did it again at the end of the sourth. 'Tis difficult to account for this double Subscription: but I suspect, that he

intended

intended to guard against the Penalty with those in the fifth Page, and that by Mistake he wrote his

Name in the wrong Paper.

A Man may also suspect, that those who subferib'd a second time in the last Page, were somewhat backward, and hardly willing to subscribe at all. Because, tho Ebden's Name, I confess, stands in the first Page (who afterwards took the same cautious Course) yet all the rest that repeated their Subscriptions in the said last Page, subscrib'd either in the sourch Page, or in the latter End of the third, as the Reader can't but perceive.

These Particulars being premis'd, I will cast the Subscribers (except Numb. 81. whose Surname is dubious; and the Archdeacon of Northampton, whose Name is not mention'd by his Proxy, who subscribed for him, Numb. 52.) into an Alphabetical Order, that every single Person may be immediately found by such as shall have occasion to seek for

him.

Ælmerus	e. 16 / 1855 44	Chandler	18
Avys	55	Chesten	31
Barbar	88, 101	Coccrell	16
Beaumont /	47	Colus	7
Bell	37	Constantyne	71
Beseley	A B West 2	Cottrel	25
Bolt	83	Croleus	63
Bond	27	Daye	79
Bowerus	29	Dodds	99
Bradbridge	21	Ebden	15, 92
Bridgwater	3	Evance (Rob.)	102
Butler	68	Evance (Will.)	93
Byckley .	61	Evans	72
Calfbil	10	Ffluyd	53
Calverley	4	Garthe	36
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Godwyn	48	Pratt	67
Goodman	13	Pric	74, 95
Grinfell	64	Proctor	19
Guyn	26.	Pullan	8
Heton	50	Reniger	85
Hinton	52	Reve	12
Hues	84	Roberts	41
Hyllus	80	Robynson	77, 98
Fones	69	Rogers	73
Ithell	. 38	Salisbury	40
Kempe	. 9	Sampson	39
Kenal	49.	Savage	SI
Lancaster	17	Saull	59
Lancastre	28	Smithe	90
Latimerus	II	Smyth	65
Lawrance	. 43	Sorebeus	. 30
Lever	58	Spenser.	22
Linett	67	Squire	89
Longlond	46	Todd.	45, 91
Lougher	32	Tremayne	33
Mallet	87, 101	Turnbull	20
Meyrik	75, 97	Walkerus (fo.)	42
Morgan	76, 100	Walkerus (Ric.)	62
Mullyns	6	Watson	. 14
Nevinson	1	Wattes	5
Norvell	57	Weston (Edm.)	23
Pedder	54	Weston (Rob.)	. 60
Peerson	78, 94	White	34
Perne	86	Wiburnus	24
Powell	82, 96	Wilson	. 56
Pownde	70, 99	Wysdom	35

I will conclude this Chapter with the following Remark. I have already faid, that the Subscriptions of the Lower House are contain'd in a Parcel of two Sheets of Paper, folded one within the other,

Folio wise. Now the inner of these two Sheets manifestly appears to have been folded a cross in sour Columns bredthwise. Wherefore I guess, that the Subscriptions in each Sheet were originally utterly distinct; but that afterwards the blank Leaf of that which is now the outer Sheet, was turn'd backwards, and so both of them were sewed into one Parcel.

CHAP. VII.

That the Articles passed by the Convocation, were Recorded in the Registry of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

WHEN the Articles were passed by the Clergy in Convocation, they were recorded in the Registry of the Archbishop of Canterbury, being enter'd in the Acts of that Convocation. Of this we have diverse unexceptionable Proofs.

First, Archbishop Laud's Paper, which has been

already produced, is demonstrative Evidence.

Secondly, in Dr. Heylyn's Abstract from the Records of Convocation, now extant under his own Hand, we read thus, in what he has written touching the

famous 29th of Fanuary.

Articuli, de quibus in Synodo Londinensi anno Domini juxta Ecclesiæ Anglicanæ computationem, 1562. ad tollendam opinionum dissentionem, & sirmandum in wera Religione consensum, inter Archiepiscopos Episcoposq; utriusq; provinciæ, necnon etiam universum Clerum convenit.

Unus est vivus & verus Deus, &c. ut in Syntagm.
Conf.

' XX. De Ecclesiæ Autoritate.

· Habet Ecclesia ritus statuendi jus, & in sidei controversiis autoritatem ; quamvis Ecclesiæ non licet quicquid instituere, quod verbo dei adversetur, &c.

Hos articulos fidei Christianæ Archiepiscopi & Episco-• pi utriusq; provinciæ Regni Angliæ in sacra Synodo Provinciali legitime congregati, unanimi assensu recipiunt & profitentur, & ut veros & orthodoxos manuum suarum subscriptionibus approbant, Jan. 29. Anno 1562. Clerusq; universus eosdem etiam unanimiter & recepit & professus est, ut ex manuum suarum subscriptionibus patet. quas obtulit & deposuit apud Eundem Reverendissimum quinto die Febr. proxime sequent.

From hence it appears by the Evidence of an Eye Witness, that the said Articles were entred in the Acts of that Convocation in the Archbishop's Registry, from the Records of which that Abstract was made.

Thirdly, Those very Records were solemnly appeal'd to again by Dr. Heylyn, even during the Usur-

pation. The Occasion this.

Dr. Fuller had (a) said, This Clause in question lieth at a dubious Posture, at in and out, sometimes inserted, sometimes omitted, both in our written and printed Copies.

Inserted in The Original of the Articles The English and Latin Ar- $156\frac{2}{3}$, as appeareth under the Hand of a public Notary, whose Inspection and Attestation is only dicisive in this Case.

Omitted in ticles set forth 1571.

⁽a) Church History, Book 9 p. 73, 74.

And a little after he had added, In a word, concerning this Clause, whether the Bishops were faulty in their Addition, or their Opposites in their Substraction, I leave to

more cunning State-Arithmeticians to decide.

To this Dr. Heylyn (b) replies, that The Clause here Spoken of by our Author, is the first Sentence in the Twentieth Article entituled De Ecclesia authoritate, where it is said, That the Church has Power to decree Rites and Ceremonies, and Authority in Controversies of the Faith. Which being charged upon the Bishops as a late Addition, the better to support their Power and maintain their Tyranny; the late Archbishop of Canterbury in his Speech in the Star-Chamber, June 15. 1637. made it appear, that the said Clause was in a printed Book of Articles published in the Year 1562, being but very few Months after they had passed in Convocation, which was on the 29th of Jan. 1562. in the English Account. And more than so, he shewed unto the Lords a Copy of the Twentieth Article exemplified out of the Records, and attested by the Hand of a publick Notary, in which that very Clause was found, which had been charged upon the Bishops for an Innovation. And thus much I can fay of my own Knowledge, that having occasion to consult the Records of Convocation, I found this controverted Clause verbatim in these following Words, Habet Ecclesia ritus (c) statuendi jus, & in fidei Controversiis authoritatem, Which makes me wonder at our Author, that having access to those Records, and making frequent use of them in this present History, he should declare himself unable to decide the Doubt.

(b) Animadversions on Dr. Fuller's Church History, p. 144.

Lond. 1659.

⁽c) In Dr. Heylyn's Book 'tis printed statuendo by a manifest Mistake of the Press, which the Doctor was not able to correct, being at that Time almost Blind. See his Answer to Mr. Sanderson's Post-hast-Reply, p. 207.

whether the Addition of this Clause was made by the Bishops, or the Substraction of it by the opposite Party. But none so blind as he that will not see, saies the good old Proverb.

And what was the Confequence? How did Dr. Fuller behave himself? What did he say in his own Desense? Truly, he publish'd an Appeal for injured Innocence; wherein, as he slips over many things, so he endevors to soften some, and to vindicate others. But does he guard against this brisk Charge about the Controverted Clause? Does he deny, that the Record read, as Dr. Heylyn pretended? Does he excuse himself for not declaring what the Record contain'd, tho' he had such free Access to the Office? Or does he pretend that the Articles were not recorded there? Nothing like it. Observe how he mumbles Thisses. I will (d) set down his Quotation from Dr. Heylyn, and his Answer to it.

Dr. Heylyn.

Fuller:

Our Author proceeds, Fol. 74. In a word concerning this Clause whether the Bishops were faulty in their Addition, or their Opposites in their Substraction, I leave to more cunning Arithmeticians to decide. The Clause here spoken of by our Author, is the first Sentence in the Twentieth Article, entituled de Ecclesia Authoritate, where it is said, that the Church has Power to decree Rites and Ceremonies, and Authority in Controversies of Faith,

To this, and to what ensueth in two Leaves following,
I return no answer, not because I am pinch'd therein with
any Matter of Moment, but for these Reasons following.

⁽d) Part II. Book 9. p. 86.

First, I understand, that the Animadvertor's Stationer taketh Exception, that I have printed all his Book, which may tend to his Detriment. Now I protest, when I first took up this Resolution to present the Animadvertor's whole Cloth, List, Fagg and all, I aim'd not at bis Damage, but my own Defence : nor can I see, how I could do otherwise, seeing the Plaister must be as broad as the Sore, the Tent as deep as the Wound; yea, I have been inform'd by Prime Stationers, the like has formerly been done without Exception taken on either fide in the Replys and Rejoynders betwixt Dr. Whitgift and Mr. Cartwright, and many others. However, being willing to avoid all appearance of Injury, I have left out Some Observations, which I conceiv'd might well be spar'd, as containing no pungent Matter against me. Secondly, I am confident, that there needs no other Answer to these Notes, than the distinct and serious Perusal of my Church History, with the due Alteration of Favor ' indulg'd to all Writings. Lastly, what of Moment in these Notes is omitted by me, relateth to those two Church Questions in Law, which I have formerly desir'd may be fairly ventilated betwixt the Animadvertor and me: and if he be sensible, that any thing herein tendeth to his Advantage, He may, and no doubt will, reassume and enforce the same.

Let the Reader now judge, whether Dr. Fuller did not yield this part of the Controversy; and whether he would have acted thus, had he not known, that the Articles were recorded, and that the Record did certainly contain what Dr. Heylyn quoted from it. He would infallibly have expos'd Dr. Heylyn for most shameless Falsehood, had he not found the Record with the Controverted Clause in it: and I dare say, I need not observe, that Dr. Fuller would not forbear fearching upon fo

provoking an Occasion.

P 4 AfterAfterwards Dr. Heylyn replied to this very Appeal; but pass'd over this part of the Controversy in Silence. And well he might; since Dr. Fuller him-

felf had so manifestly given it up.

Fourthly, Mr. Smith in his MS. Catalogue of that . part of his Library which related to Ecclefiastical Affairs, as it stood in the Year 1657 (which is now in the Possession of, and was communicated to me by, William Lord Bishop of St. Asaph) speaking of Wolf's Edition of the Articles, has these Words, This is the first and most authentic Edition of these Articles of 1562, which are the principal Articles of our Religion: and these Articles agree verbatim with the Articles entred in the Register's Office. 'Tis observable, that this Passage was penned long before the Fire of London, when that Office was intire; and the Expressions manifestly import, that this Author knew, that the Articles were recorded (which could not but be in the Registry of the See of Canterbury) and that Wolf's Edition had been collated, and agreed therewith. Here 'tis to be noted, that this and many other Obfervations, scattered by the Author in this MS. Catalogue, are not to be expected in the printed Catalogue of that Admirable Library, which was fold by Auction above thirty Years fince.

What has been faid, does most evidently prove, that the Articles of 1562, were recorded in the Registry of the See of Canterbury, tho' the said Record is now lost, it having perish'd, as was before noted, when London was burnt, and great Quantities of Papers were at the same Time consum'd.

CHAP. VIII.

That the Bennet College Latin MS. of 1562. is no Record.

Confess, it has been pretended, that the Bennet College Latin MS. is the Record of the Articles passed in 1562. Whereas, besides that positive and irrefragable Evidence, which I have already given, that the Record of the Articles was lodg'd in the Registry of the See of Canterbury; this single Consideration consutes so ridiculous an Affertion, viz. that Archbishop Parker had no more Right or Power to dispose of the Records of Covnocation by Will; than the Lord Chancellor has to dispose of the Records of Parliament after the same manner.

But what I chuse rather to insist upon, and which indeed must needs be esteem'd abundant Demonstration by any considering Person, is the Nature and Condition of the MS. it self. Infomuch that I am persuaded, none who has seen and examin'd it, can possibly think it a Record. For I appeal to any Man of common Sense, whether a MS. so frequently and so odly corrected, sometimes with red Lead, at other times with black Ink; in which fo many Portions, great and small, are struck out, and fo many Particulars are inserted; nay, in which English and Latin are mixed together; and all this without any the least Memorandum or other Indication, by which Posterity might understand, what those Articles really were, which had been agreed to; whether such a MS. as this, I say (tho' it might well serve for a preparatory Draught, and be fubscrib'd as such, by those who understood the Meaning of every Mark, and were agreed in their **Opinions**

Opinions and Designs relating to it) could ever be intended for a Record, in a Matter of so high Concern, as that of establishing the Articles of our Church.

Nay, I think my felf indispensably bound in Christian Charity to believe, that had those Perfons, who delight and labor to abuse the pretended Authority of this MS. to the vilest Purposes, been in any tolerable Measure acquainted with the Nature and Condition of it; they would have been asham'd to own and justify that Notion of it, which they have taken the utmost Pains to establish.

CHAP. IX.

That the Record of the Articles in the Registry of the See of Canterbury was not subscrib'd, nor had the broad Seal affix'd to it.

BUT it may be ask'd, whether the Record in the Archbishop's Registry, was subscrib'd by the Members of that Convocation which passed the Articles. I answer, that tho' we have no direct Evidence on either side, yet to me it seems most probable, or rather almost certain, that 'twas not subscrib'd by them. For, 1. There was no need of any such Subscription. 'Tis notorious, that the Articles were subscrib'd, when they were pass'd, and the Register's Attestation evinces the Certainty of that Subscription: but what need was there of repeating it in the Record? 2. It seems to me impossible, that they should have been subscrib'd, as they stood entred into the public Acts, from the Account we have of the Pages. For the

Paper produc'd by Archbishop Laud shews, that the Record of them was entred in the Body of the Acts of that Convocation. Now the Register's Attestation, which was subjoin'd to the Articles in that Book, and which mentions the Subscription of them (and which consequently must have been subsequent to the Subscription made in that very Book, if any fuch had been made) was written in p. 31. and the Twentieth Article was written in p. 27. of the same Volume. And I appeal to any Person, whether it be conceivable, that all the following Articles, and the intire Subscriptions of both Houses, could be crammed into that Volume between p. 27. and p. 31. inclusively; fince the Account of a few Selfions (which, the Reader will find, do fill a very few Pages of the Synodus Anglicana) do. with the preceding Articles, take up from p. 19. to p. 27. inclusively, of the same Volume.

It may be also ask'd, whether the broad Seal was affix'd to that Record. Now here again we have no direct Proof. But it seems to me incredible. that the broad Seal should be affixed to the Leaf of

a Book, as in this Case it must have been.

CHAP. X.

Of the Queen's Approbation of the Articles.

HOWEVER, 'tis certain, that the Queen read and examin'd the Articles, and that she gave her Royal Assent to them. This the Postscript to Wolf's Edition assures us of: And probably that very Copy, which I suppose to have been fairly transcrib'd, and sent to the Lower House, was, after it had

had been publicly read therein, and approv'd by them (for that their Subscriptions were not annex'd or fasten'd to it, I presume, will now be granted) presented to her Majesty, and submitted

to her Royal Censure.

Whether her Assent was in this Case legally necessary, I shall not inquire, much less determin. Tis certain, the Lower House were very fearful of Danger (as they had just Reason) and therefore that cautious Protestation, Ista subscriptio facta est, &c. was made; and the Queen for their Security (or rather perhaps, that she might extend her Prerogative by a strong Precedent, as far as she could possibly; an Art which Queen Elizabeth never abhorred) gave her Royal Assent and Approbation, which was accordingly taken notice of in the Postscript to Wolf's Edition; tho' the Register's Attestation of the Articles, transcrib'd from the Record in Archbishop Laud's Paper, mentions it not; nor was it probably ever inferted in any other part of the Registers of that Convocation.

In what manner the Queen gave her Affent, or testified her Approbation, does not appear. My Lord Coke (a) saies, that the Articles were ratified by Queen Elizabeth under the great Seal of England. If so; they were doubtless engross'd, and that Instrument of them was deposited in some of the Royal Offices. And what if it should in God's good Time appear? Let us consider, that affixing the broad Seal to Acts of Convocation was then a new thing, and that the Instances of it even to this time have been very rare; so that probably no new Office was ever erected for Records of that Nature. And

⁽a) Instit. 4. c. 74. p. 323.

therefore it might be lodg'd in a Place intended for other Purposes, and by that Means it may still lie undiscover'd. I must own, 'twill not surprize me, tho' 'twill much rejoice me, if ever such an Instrument should be discover'd.

CHAP. XI.

That the Articles were passed, recorded, and ratisfied in 1562, in Latin only.

Must now observe, that the Articles were in this Year (for I do not at present concern my felf with what was afterwards done) passed, recorded and ratified in Latin only. That they were pafsed, recorded and ratified in Latin, I believe no body questions. Or if it be question'd, yet it has been fully prov'd. For all those Evidences, which prove that they were passed, recorded and ratified at all; do at the same time specify the Language they were passed, recorded and ratified in. But there is not the least Evidence, that they were also passed, recorded and ratified in English. Nay, had they been passed, recorded and ratified in English, doubtless Archbishop Laud or Dr. Heylyn (or their Adversaries for them) would have deliver'd some Hint of it, by appealing to the English as well as to the Latin Records, and observing the Agreement or Difference between them. But this can't be pleaded. And therefore we have almost a direct Evidence, that they were passed, recorded and ratified in Latin only.

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CHAP. XII.

Of the Differences between the Bennet College MS. and Wolf's Edition; and of the Corrections and Observations in Bod. 2.

WHEN all things relating to the Articles were finish'd, Wolf, the Queen's Latin Printer, publish'd them in their Original Language, and his Edition is exhibited in the foregoing Collation. But then,

I. 'Tis notorious, that Wolf's Edition differs from the Bennet College Latin MS. in diverse Particulars; besides Pointings, and different Ways of spelling the same Words, which I do not at present take

Notice of.

As for those Corrections of the said MS, whether made with the red Lead Pencil, or with black Ink, which are follow'd and express'd by Wolf in his printed Copy; tho' they are Variations from the MS. as 'twas prepared for Subscription by the Transcriber, yet they are not such Variations, as I now speak of. But I say, that there are several other Particulars, wherein the MS. differs from the Edition of Wolf. For,

1. The Copy, as it was prepared for Subscription by the Transcriber, differs from Wolf's Edition in the following Instances, which remain to this Day uncorrected in it, and which I must of Necessity, for a Reason that will soon appear, di-

stinguish by Numbers.

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	MS.	Wolf.
1. Art. 6. No. 23.	Ruth.	
	2. Samuelis. 2	
	2. Regum.	Paralipom. 2.
	2. Paralipom. 2	.Samuelis.
2. Art.6. N°. 26,28.	4. Prophetæ	Prophers ma-
2. 1111.0.14 .20,20.	majores.	/ jores.
	12.Prophetæ	Prophetæ mi-
	minores.	
3. Art. 6. No. 38.	Judith.	Tobias. Ju-
	Tobias.	
10/19/2007		Libri Macha-
3 70		bæorum 2.
4. Art. 7. N°. 4.	quam in no-	quam novo.
All Comments and the second	vo.	
5. Art. 10. N°. 14.	grata funt.	grata fint.
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6. Art. 11. N°. 4.	reputemur.	reputamur.
	11	
7. Art. 16. No. 2.	De peccato.	De lapsis.
8. Art. 18. No. 2.	funt & illi.	funt illi.
o. Art. 10, 10°, 2.	Tunt & in.	fullt Int.
9. Art. 20. N°. 4.	Omitted.	Habet eccle-
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fia ritus statuendi jus, & in sidei controversiis authoritatem; quam-

vis.

10. Art. 20. N°. 6.	MS. neque.	Wolf.
11. Art. 25. N°. 23.	profluxerint.	profluxerunt.
12. Art. 25. N°. 36.	habeant.	habeat.
13. Art. 26. N°. 3.	funt.	fint.
14. Art. 28. N°. 24.	Corpus ta- men Christi.	Corpus Chrifti.
15. Art. 29.	is expressed.	is totally omit- ted.
16. Art. 35. N°. 10.	judicavimus.	judicamus.
27.		The Titles of the Homilies are in Latin.
18. Art. 36. N°. 21.	rite, atq; or- dine.	rite, ordine.
19. Art. 37. N°. 4.	fummam ha-	
20. Art. 37. N°. 6.	fint.	funt.

2. There are also the following Instances of various Kinds.

Art. 9. Numb. 24. Whereas the MS. as twas prepared by the Transcriber for Subscription, as also the Edition of Wolf, read alii studium interpretantur, the

Word carnis is written in the Margin with a red Lead Pencil, and a Mark of Infertion is made with the same Pencil between studium and interpretantur.

Art. 21. Numb. 9. Both the MS. and Wolf read or verbis Dei reguntur, but in the MS. a Line is drawn under verbis, and verbo is written in the Margin.

Art. 25. Numb. 35. Both the MS. and Wolf read non habentes, quomodo nec panitentia, ut quæ, &c. But in the MS. there is a Line drawn with a red Lead

Pencil under quomodo nec panitentia.

II. I have already observed, that there is in the Bodleyan Library a Copy of Wolf's Edition, which was corrected by a MS. and is denoted in the Collation by Bod. 2. Now tho the Collation exhibits the Variations and Marginal Observations in this Copy, yet I think it proper to present them once more to the Reader's View, in a Table by themselves. They are these which follow.

1. Art. I. Numb. 4. The Comma after Deus is

ftruck out.

2. Art. I. Numb. 15. The Words after invisibilium are so mark'd, as if they were to begin a diffinct Section.

3. Art. II. Numb. 24. After essetq; is added hostia, with this Note --ic etiam --rrigitur, for sic etiam corrigitur, referring to the printed Erratum at the End.

4. Art. VI. Numb. 23. In W. the Catalogue stands

thus,

Ruth.
2. Regum.

Paralipom. 2.

2. Samuelis.

Esdræ. 2.

But in Bod. 2. these Words Samuelis duo are written in the Margin, and there is an Hook importing, that they must stand between Ruth and 2. Regum. And surther, the sigure of Two is blotted out before

Regum, and duo is written after it. The same Figure is also blotted out after Paralipom, and after Eldra. and duo is written in the room of it in both Places. But yet 2. Samuelis is not blotted out before Esdræ 2.

Wherefore in Bod. 2. as it is corrected, the Cata-

logue stands thus, . Ruth.

Samuelis duo. Regum duo. Paralipom. duo. 2. Samuelis. Eldræ duo.

5. Art. X. Numb. 14. Sunt for sint.

6. Art. XI. Numb. 11. Domini is added in the Margin, with a Note of Reference fignifying that 'tis to be repeated after servatoris.

7. Art. XXI. Numb. 7. constent for constant.

8. Art. XXII. Numb. 11. In the Margin against the last Words of the Article are these Letters ---itur---- but what the rest should be I cannot guess. unless itur should be legitur, and MS. should be understood, and fignify, that the MS. was referred to.

9. Art. XXVI. Numb. 12. The Word donorum is mark'd under, and in the Margin against it is writ-

ten --- best (perhaps for abest) MS.

10. Art. XXVII. Numb. 26 suspitientes (so 'tis read in Welf's Edition) is mark'd under, and in the Margin is written sic----MS. probably for sic in MS.

11. Art. XXVIII. Numb. 30. [Medium autem quo Corpus Christi accipitur & manducatur in cæna, sides est.] The Words in cana are mark'd under, and in the Margin is written f in MS. But the Letter f being just at the edge of the Margin (which is abus'd by the Binder, as was before observ'd) one cannot be fure, whether or no the Remarker writ defunt.

12. Art. XXXIII. Numb. 11. publice is mark'd under, and in the Margin is written --- bli---m,

which perhaps should be publicam.

I will now examin the foregoing Particulars.

CHAP. XIII.

That Bod. 2. does probably express the Record of the Articles in the Registry of the See of Canterbury.

THOSE in Bod. 2. are of different kinds. r. Some of them imply no difference between the Edition of Wolf, and the MS. with which this Copy was collated: but on the contrary are Notes importing an Agreement between the faid MS, and Wolf's Edition. Thus Numb. 2,8,10. are accounted for.

2. Others imply no confiderable difference, but only fuch Variations as might eafily be occasion'd by a Mistake, either of the Transcriber or of the Pres, that is, by mere Chance. How easily might the Transcriber omit a Comma (for certainly it ought to have been inserted) after Dem in Numb. 1? How easily might he repeat Domini (for certainly it ought not to have been repeated) in Numb. 6? How easily might he write publicam for publice (since the Sense is the same both ways) in Numb. 12? How easily might the Printer (for they are manifest Mistakes) put sint for sunt in Numb. 5. and constent for constant in Numb. 7? As for Numb. 2. (besides that the difference is not of any Importance) tis probable that invisibilium reached very near to the end of the Line, and the following Words might begin the next Line without any Indenture, as is notorious even in the printed Copies of the Articles; and this the Collator might effeem making a distinct Section, that is, beginning a new Paragraph. And as for Numb. 4. how easily might

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he that transcribed a Copy for the Press, put 2. Regum for Regum duo, or the like? The only difficulty is, that the Books of Samuel are twice found in the corrected Copy. Now if they were twice found in the MS. 'twas most certainly the Transcriber's Mistake. But I rather presume, that the Collator of this Copy with the MS. after he had inserted them between Ruth and Kings in Conformity to the MS. forgot to expunge them after Chronicles, where they stood before in Wolf's Edicion. However, this must needs have been the Effect of mere Chance, whatever we suppose to have been the true Case.

3. Others imply a considerable difference, but yet such as might very naturally be occasion'd by the Transcriber's Mistake (as is too frequent and evident in Multitudes of other Cases) even tho' no Alteration were ever intended or dreamt of. Thus the Omissions in Numb. 9, 11. are accounted for. The Sense is (in the respective Places) complete without those Words. But I am persuaded they ought to have been inserted. Because the Bennet College Lasin MS. has them, and we have no reason to imagin, that any change was designedly made

in these Instances.

Now the question is, what that MS. was, which this Copy was corrected by. That it could not be a MS. Copy of the Articles as they were altered in 1571, is evident from the several Alterations made in that Year, and which will afterwards be exhibited at large. And 'tis plain, that it could not be the MS. now extant in Bennet College Library, from the notorious difference, in so great variety of Instances, between that and the corrected Copy. Nay, it must needs have been a MS. in which every one of the minutest of these many Particulars was found, wherein Wolf's Edition differs from the Ben-

net College MS. For this corrected Copy agrees with Wolf to a Tittle in opposition to the Bennet College MS. except in such Instances as might easily be caused by mere Chance, either in transcribing, or at the Press, as every body must grant, who compares the Tables in the foregoing Chapter.

I am persuaded therefore, that this MS. was the Record in the Archbishop's Registry. 'Tis certain, this was Mr. Selden's Book, it having came into the Bodleyan with the rest of his vastLibrary. And probably, when the dispute about the controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article had rais'd his Curiosity, he either collated the Record himself (for the Corrections, as I am assur'd by a good Judge, agree with some of his Hand Writing, tho' not with his common Hand) or got some other Person to do it for him. Certainly, were it not the Record, the Collator would not have observ'd such Trisles, as the greatest part of his Marginal Notes contain.

To conclude, I am fully of opinion, that when the Articles were finally fetled, they were transcrib'd into the Asts; and that a Copy was then taken by some Person very little skill'd in Latin (perhaps from the very Asts themselves, and by the very Clerk that wrote the Asts) in order to the Impression, which too closely follow'd the said Copy, and was never corrected by a tolerable Scholar. This solves all Difficulties. Nor is it otherwise possible to account for such gross Mistakes, as ecclesia for ecclesia in Art. 19. Numb. 2. and suspicientes for suscipientes in Art. 27. Numb. 6. in which both Wolf's Edition, and the MS. which Bod. 2, was collated

with, do so exactly agree.

CHAP. XIV.

The Differences between the Bennet College Latin MS. and Wolf's Edition, particularly with respect to the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article, and the whole Twenty ninth Article, accounted for.

Proceed now to the Differences between the Rennet Course Latin MS. and Wolf's Edition; and will diffirely confider the two forts of them.

r. As for those which appear in the MS. as 'twas prepared by the Transcriber for Subscription, and which remain to this Day without any Shadow of Correction, they are partly such as might easily happen by mere accident, without any Design at all; and partly such as do manifestly shew, that they were designed and resolv'd on; and partly such, as 'tis hard to say, whether they were designed and re-

folv'd on, or no.

Of the first sort, viz. such as might happen by mere accident, without any Design at all, I esteem Numb. 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 18, 20. For, 1. How easily may a Letter be chang'd, either in transcribing for the Press, or else by the Compositor's Oversight, when a Letter is dropt into a wrong Box? Thus Numb. 5, 6, 11, 13, 20. may be accounted for. 2. How easily may a Word be omitted, the insertion of which is not necessary, and the Force of which must necessarily be understood? Thus Numb. 4, 18. may be accounted for. 3. How easily may a Word be chang'd for one that is very near it in Sound or Sense? Thus Numb. 10, 16, may be accounted for. 4. How easily might the Order of the Words Fudith and Tobias

Tobias be inverted, and the Figure of Two be differently placed, in Numb. 2? And 5. as for Numb. 12. the Sense will admit either babeant or babeat. If it be babeant, it must agree with sacramenta; but babeat must (as well it may) agree with panitentia; tho' I confess, babeant is preferable. In all these Cases, how easily might the Corrector of the Press himself mistake, or not rectifie the Mistakes of another?

Of the second fort, viz. such as were manifestly design'd and resolv'd on, I esteem Numb. 7, 9, 15, 47, 19. That these Variations could not proceed from mere Accident, I verily think, needs no Proof. But the Question is, whether they were introduc'd by Authority, or no. Now for my part, I confess, unless sufficient Proof be given, I can't allow my felf the liberty of suspecting, much less of affirming or believing, that the Printer or any other Person would assume the Liberty of making such considerable Changes in what Authority had resolved on. And therefore, fince no sufficient Proof can be given, or fo much as pretended, I doubt not but all these Particulars were fixed by Authority.

But this will be more clear, if we examin the feveral Instances. They are of three kinds. For the difference is made by, either Addition, Substraction, or Alteration. There are two Additions, viz. Numb. 9, 19. one Substraction, viz. Numb. 15. and two Alterations, viz. Numb. 7, 17. Now I appeal to the Reader's Conscience, whether any private Design could possibly be serv'd by three of those five instances, viz. Numb. 7, 17, 19. For the Doctrin is not in the least affected by putting lapsis for peccato, or Latin Titles of the Homilies instead of English ones. And as for Numb. 19. the Sense of the Article is not in the least affected either way. For the thing affirmed is the very same, whether

jure be in, or not. The Proposition afferted regards Right, and not Fach only. So that if the Supremacy does partirere to the Crown (as both the Bennet College MS. and Wolf's Edition agree) the Crown must of course jure babere summam potestatem, &c. There remain therefore only Numb. 9, 15. the former of which adds to, and the latter substracts from,

what was figned in the MS.

Now as for the controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article, which is Numb. 9. I must own, that tho' the Church's Power touching Rites and Ceremonies is in effect afferted after the same manner in the last Paragraph of the Thirty fourth Article, about which the MS. and Wolf's Edition agree: yet her Authority in Controversies of Faith is no where else afferted in these Articles; and consequently the Insertion of it might serve a turn, and be for that reason suspected. But then, as God's Providence has order'd it, unquestionable Evidence is now extant, that the Record in the Registry of the See of Canterbury had that very Clause; and therefore 'tis clear, that 'twas inserted by Authority, tho' it does not appear in the Bennet College MS. This appears from Archbishop Laud's Paper (see p. 168.) Dr. Heylyn's Abstract (see p. 212.) his printed Attestation (see p. 213.) and Mr. Smith's Remark touching Wolf's Edition, already produced, p. 216; not to mention the MS. (in all probability the very Record it felf) with which Bod. 2. was collated.

As for the difference with respect to the Twenty ninth Article, which is Numb, 15: that the faid Twenty ninth Article passed the Upper House in 1562, is evident from the MS. And that it also pass'd the Lower House, and receiv'd the Royal Asfent, in that same Year; is to me evident from the Ratification in 1571, which expresly declares, that

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the Articles before rehears'd were again approved by the Queen, and again confirmed by the Subscription of the Clergy. For how can these Expressions be reconciled to Truth and common Honesty, if the Twenty ninth Article, which is undoubtedly one of the Number there said to be before rehearsed, was not subscribed by the Lower House, and approved by the Queen, in 1562? For that nothing was done in this Matter between 1562 and 1571, will foon appear. Had the Articles been much more alter'd in small Matters; had many more parts of Articles been added, substracted, or changed than ever can be pretended; I should have thought the Expressions in the Ratification of 1571 very reasonable; because all the Articles would in the main have been the same: but I think, the Addition of an intire Article, in which no change was ever made between the time when 'twas certainly subscribed by the Upper House in 1562, and the time when the Ratification of 1571 was printed, quite alters the Case; and necessarily implies, that that intire Article was formerly subscribed by the Lower House, and approved by the Queen, which could not be done otherwise than in 1562.

But why then was it omitted? Was it never recorded in the Registry of the See of Canterbury? Or did Wolf omit it by chance? I answer, that I am persuaded, it was not recorded at all in the Archbishop's Registry. For, tho' both Houses of Convocation passed it, and the Queen approved it, yet the Queen might order that it should not be recorded. I. Because the Bishops of Rochester and Glocester seem to have refus'd Subscription upon the account of that very Article; and they seem to have spread an opposite Notion in their respective Dioceses. Wherefore 'tis likely, the Queen might

resolve, that that matter should not be openly touch'd on, that the might prevent an open difference between her Eishops, and not be oblig'd in Honor or Discretion to deal severely with those that thwarted the Doctrin publicly allowed. But afterwards, when the Bishop of Richester had manifeftly alter'd his Sentiments, and heartily approved this Article; and the Bishop of Glocester was urreally out of Favor, both with the Queen and his Brethren; it might be thought advisable to affert, what none would oppose, whom the Court of Convocation had any regard for. 2. The Papilts in general had not form'd themselves into a separate Communion in the Year 1562; and therefore it might not be thought advisable to determin a Point in the Articles, which so nearly touch'd them with relation to the Lord's Supper; for fear they should be scandaliz'd thereby, and provoked to raise either Civil or Ecclesiastical Disturbances. But the

Circumstances were very different in 1571, after the Bull of Pope Pins the Fifth; so that the Twenty ninth Article, which had formerly been subscrib'd by the Clergy, and approv'd by the Queen, might the more reasonably be made public, especially fince a Subscription to the Articles of 1562, in order to root our Popery (no part of which fluck harder, than their Corruptions relating to the Lord's Supper) was in that Year required of the Clergy by

Act of Parliament. I must add, that Mr. Smith saies, the Edition of Wolf agrees verbatim with the Record. See above, p. 216. And consequently the Record wanted the Twenty ninth Article, as Wolf's Edition does. I must own, this Consideration, and the high Probability that Bod. 2. was collated with the Record, do

in my Opinion amount to full Proof.

I know, that Archbishop Laud saies in his Speech (see p. 166.) that in the Record the whole Body of the Articles was to be seen; which may seem to imply, that the Twenty ninth Article was then in the Record: but I am persuaded, that whoever considers the Circumstances, will not strain his Words so far, as to conclude, that the Archbishop then declared, that every one of the Thirty Nine Articles was there to be found; but that upon a general View the Articles appear'd in a body. And his Inquirer probably never minded the Twenty ninth in particular, nor was any of them nicely examined, but the Twentieth only, about which a Controversy had been raised.

As for the &c.s in Dr. Heylyn's Abstract, and the Reference to the Syntagma Confessionum (see above, p. 211, 212.) it can't be from thence concluded, that Dr. Heylyn found the Twenty ninth Article in the Record, tho' the Syntagma has it. For Dr. Heylyn does not in the least appear to have collated the whole body of Articles; but beginning with the first, he makes an &c. to denote that it ran as the Syntagma represents it; and then he skips to the Twentieth, and having found the controverted Clause, he makes another &c. which can't in reason be extended further than the Twentieth Article

But 'twill be asked, When were these particulars of the second sort resolved on, or by what Authority? I answer, That 'tis possible, they might be resolved on by the Upper House on Feb. 2. when the Register (a) saies, Reverendissimus in Christo Pater Dominus Matthæus Archiepiscopus Cantuariensis, necnon Reverendi Patres Domini, &c. respective Episcopi, pro Tribunali sedentes, secretam quandam communicationem sive tractatum per spacium trium borarum

⁽a) Synod. Anglic. p. 196.

aut circiter inter se habuerunt. Nor was there any need of their Lordships repeating their Subscription, when these Particulars were agreed on. Because their voting them was as authentic, as if they had Subscrib'd the whole anew. For what was the Act of the House on Feb. 2. was as valid, as what was their Act on Jan. 29. And the Articles might well be faid to have been subscribed by the Upper House on Fan. 29. notwithstanding those few Particulars were agreed to on Feb. 2. Because the Alterations could not affect the Sense of any one Proposition contain'd in the Articles; and the Additions were, the one of a fingle Clause, the other of a fingle Word, neither of which could be thought sufficient to oblige them to begin afresh, and repeat their Subscriptions to the whole body of the Articles, upon the account of such fmall Augmentations.

But to speak my Mind freely, I would have it remembred, that Q. Elizabeth was the true Daughter of K. Henry VIII. and was probably resolved to have a Finger in this Matter. I'm of Opinion therefore, that these Particulars of the second sort were owing to her Direction, and were asterwards probably voted by both Houses, there being no need of repeating their Subscriptions upon the Account of them, or of entring any Notice thereof in

the Acts of either House.

I must add, that, if that MS. with which Bod. 2. was collated, was not the Record; yet certainly it gives a very great Authority to the Edition of Wolf, to which it comes so very near, even in Points and down right Mistakes. And there having been such a MS. in the World, may serve to convince all unprejudic'd Persons, that several Alterations were made

made in the Articles after the Bennet College MS. was figned on Jan. 29. and previous to Wolf's Edition. Which Confideration atome may filence those unreasonable Clamors, which have been rais'd about the controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article. Because that, as well as the generality of the other Variations, was found in this MS. exactly as Wolf's Edition reads.

There still remains a third fort of Variations, of which 'tis hard to say, whether they were design'd and resolved on, or no. Under this Head we may reckon Numb. 1, 2, 8, 14. If the Reader imagins, that they might be merely accidental; no difficulty can arise from the difference between the MS. and Wolf's Edition with relation to them. But if it be supposed, that they were really intended to be made; then they may be accounted for after the same manner, as those of the second sort.

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In a word, when the Articles were seried by the last Act of the Upper House, I presume they were transcrib'd, and transmitted to the Lower House, who made no Amendments as far as appears, but passed what the Bishops sent them. And when both Houses had done what respectively became them, they were submitted to the Queen for her Approbation and Razincation, and then recorded

in the Archbishop's Registry.

2. I proceed now to those Instances, which belong to the second Head, and are of different kinds.

First, perhaps it might be resolv'd to add the Word carnis between studium and interpretantur in the Ninth Article; but the Marginal Insertion might be by chance not observed, and the Word might consequently be omitted in the Record. Or else this Correction might be made by the Archbishop in after Times upon an intended Review of the Ar-

ticles.

ticles. This last Conjecture seems by much the most probable; for carnis is not in King Edward's Articles, from which our present Article of Original Sin was manifestly taken.

Secondly, the same may be said of verbo for verbis in the Twenty first Article; for 'tis verbis in King

Edward's Articles.

Thirdly, as for the stroak drawn under quomodo nec panitentia in the Twenty fifth Article, 'twas made either in 1562 (and then they thought no Alteration needful, tho' those Words were omitted, when the Articles were revised) or else, which is much more probable, in 1571, when the Words

were accordingly omitted.

And thus are we come as near to a Certainty, as can reasonably be expected at this distance of time, when the Records are loft. And upon the whole, I am confident, that there can be no Scruple justly rais'd, which may in any measure either create Suspicions about the Sincerity of those thro' whose Hands the Articles pass'd, or affect the Consciences of those who are at present required to subscribe the Articles. If we do not in some Particulars certainly know how the Record read, and confequently what Words were agreed to by the Convocation, and allowed by the Queen: yet those Particulars are very few, and not one of them is of any moment.

I need not observe, that if it be allowed, that Bod. 2. was corrected by the Record, 'twill be more easy to pass a Judgment upon those Particulars, wherein Wolf's Edition differs from the Bennet College MS. of which there is a Table in the foregoing Chapter, p. 223, 224.

CHAP. XV.

Of the Postcript of Wolf's Edition.

HE Postcript of Wolf's Edition confists of two distinct Paragraphs, as the Collation shews. The first begins with Hos articulos; the second with

Quibus omnibus.

As for the first of those Paragraphs, 'tis manifestly the same Ratification, that was annex'd to the Record in the Body of the Acts of the Convocation of 1562, as appears from Archbishop Laud's Paper. For it agrees exactly with it, saving in two Instances. For

The Record reads

Episcopum

orthodoxos

Wolf reads

Archiepiscopum

atq; orthodoxos

and I dare fay, I need not inform the Reader, that there Variations might easily be occasion'd by the Hast or Inadvertency of him who transcrib'd a Copy to print by, without the Imputation of any sini-

ster Delign.

But then I must add, that both the Record and the printed Edition ao, in my Opinion, plainly refer to the Bernt College MS. as the Autographum in the Archbishop's Custody; and mention that it contain'd nineteen Pages. Whereas this was certainly a Mistake of him that enter'd the Acts; and was occasion'd by his fellowing the original Form of the Bishops Subscription (mutatis mutandis, viz. putting the third Person for the first, as 'twas proper in a Record) too closely, without observing the Corrections made, either in the Text (one whole Page

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of which, viz. the nineteenth, is expung'd, as the Collation shews) or in the Register of the Pages, Articles and Lines, which he was not to transcribe, and for that Reason hastily slipp'd over. For had he duly observ'd, either the Pages themselves, or the Register of them, he could not have been guil-

ty of such a Mistake. I must also take notice, that the latter part of this Paragraph does in my Opinion establish (had we no other Evidence) what was before shewn, viz. that the Subscriptions of the Inferior Clergy do not belong to that MS, of the Articles, which the Bishops subscrib'd. For do but observe the Phrase. After mention had been made of the Autographum subscribed by the Bishops, which I take to be the Bennet College MS, 'tis said, Universusq; Clerus Inferioris Domus eosdem etiam unanimiter & recepit & professus est, ut ex manuum suarum subscriptionibus patet, quas obtulit & deposuit apud eundem Reverendissimum 5to Die Febr. anno prædicto. Now had the Inferior Clergy sub-scrib'd that same Autographum, which the Bishops fubscribed; furely 'twould have been signified that they did so, and the Expressions would have been very different. Whereas, as the Expressions now stand, they manifestly imply, I think, that the Inferior Clergy had receiv'd and approv'd a distinct Copy; at least, that they fent up their Subscriptions in a Parcel of Paper by themselves to be kept by the Archbishop.

There seems to be no Difficulty about the second Paragraph of this Postcript. It does not appear. that 'twas in the Record deposited in the Archbishops Registry, which seems to have contain'd nothing but what the Convocation had done. If another Copy was fign'd by the Queen, or had the great Seal affixed; this fecond Paragraph might

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possibly be added therein. But if otherwise; yet twas sit, that the Printer should inform the World, that the Articles had been honor'd with a Royal Declaration concerning their Orthodoxy.

CHAP. XVI.

Of the first English Editions of the Articles.

BUT besides the Latin one by Wolsius, there were diverse English Editions of the Articles printed by Jugge and Cawood, the Queen's English Printers. I have exhibited two in the foregoing Collation, which (as has been already observ'd) seem to have been printed before 1571; because they do not recite the Title of the Homily against Rebellion. 'Tis probable they were printed very early;

perhaps in the Year 1562.

But Dr. Heylyn (a) faies, that the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article was printed as a part thereof both in Latin and English in the Year 1562. As for the Date of the Year, I shall soon shew his Mistake. At present I observe, that tho' the faid Controverted Clause was printed as a part of the Twentieth Article in Latin by Wolf, yet 'tis emitted in both those English Editions which I have exhibited in the Collation. And therefore it should feem, that there was one other English Edition, which I have not yet seen; nor did I ever hear, that a Copy of it is now extant.

But it may be ask'd, from what Latin Copy the English ones were translated. And this Question

⁽a) History of the Presbyt. Book 6. Sect. 40. p. 268. Lond. 1670. R

can't be easily answered. I do not at present concern my self with that Edition which Dr. Heylyn mentions, because I know nothing of it more than what he affirms. And therefore I cannot fay, whether it differ'd from those now extant in any thing besides the Controverted Clause. But as for the two Editions which I have exhibited, they do fo manifestly differ in some Particulars from the Bennet College MS. and in others from Wolf's Edition, that it can't be affirm'd, that they were taken from either of them.

I have already given a Table of the Differences betwen the Bennet College MS. and the Edition of Wolf. In several of those Particulars the Translation will indifferently fute either the MS. or the printed Book. But in feveral others the Translation agrees with one in Opposition to the other.

It agrees with the MS. in Opposition to Wolf's

Edition in the following Instances.

Wolf.

English. Art.6. Ruth. Ruth. Ruth. 2.Samuel. 2.Regum. 2. Samuelis. Paralipom.2. 2. Regum. 2. Kings. 2. Samuelis. 2. Paralipom. 2. Chronicles.

MS.

Prophetæ 4. Prophetæ 4. Prophets the majores. majores. greater. Prophetæ 12.Prophetæ 12. Prophets the minores. minores. lefs.

Tobias. Judith. Judith. Judith. Tobias. Tobias.

Art. 16. De lapsis. De peccato. Of fin.

Art. 18. Sunt illi. Sunt & illi. They also are. Art.20.

Wolf.

bet pote-

English.

Art.20. The controver
ted Clause
is inserted.

Art.37. jure summam ha
habet po
The controverted Clause
is omitted.

The controverted Clause
ted Clause is
omitted.

hath the
chief pow-

MS.

testarem.

ftatem.

It agrees with Wolf's Edition in Opposition to the MS, in the following Instances.

MS. Wolf. English.
habeat. it hath.

Art.28. Corpus tamen Christi. Corpus Chrimen Christi. fti. Christ.

Art.29. The whole ininferted.

The whole omitted.

mitted.

Art.36. rite atq; or- rite, ordi- rightly, or- dine. ne. derly.

I own my felf unable to account for these Differences, in which the English Translation opposes, sometimes the MS. and at other times Welf's Edition. 'Tis plain, the English Edition does not follow the Record, by its omitting the Controverted Clause which the Record contain'd as a part of the Twentieth Article. Whether the Translator was guilty of wilful Fraud, and designedly varied from the Original, sollowing different Copies at different Times on purpose to conceal his Prevarication, it may concern those to inquire, who have R 2 urg'd

urg'd the Authority of this Translation to disprove the Authority of the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article. For my part, I am only concern'd for the Latin Original, which was all that the Convocation of 1562 is chargeable with; and of that (considering all Circumstances) I hope, I have given a tolerable Account.

CHAP. XVII.

Whether any Edition of the Articles was published before March 25. 1563.

IS now proper to inquire, how foon any Edition of the Articles was publish'd, after they were agreed on in the Convocation of 1562; particularly, whether any Edition of them was publish'd before the 25th of March following. And perhaps it may be impossible to give a determinate Answer to this Question. I believe no body can imagin, that they were publish'd before the Royal Assent was given. Nay, Wolf's Edition expresly affirms, that they had receiv'd it. And if they receiv'd it, whilst the Convocation sat; that Convocation, we know, was prorogu'd on the 14th of April to the 3d of October. And consequently the Royal Assent was actually given before, or on, the 14th of April. But still we are uncertain, when twas given. It might be, for ought appears to the contrary, either immediatly after they were passed by both Houses, or immediatly before the Prorogation; or perhaps sometime after it. So that we can't argue from the time of the Royal Affent, that they were, or were not, publish'd before the 25th of March.

But we learn from (a) Mr. Strype, that soon after Midsummer 1562, Archbishop Parker went down to his Diocese, to visit it in Person; and then he adds the following Words, The Book of Homilies as yet lay before the Queen to be considered of. But in the Month of June he earnestly excited the Secretary to put her Majesty upon resolving herself concerning this Book, which had been revised and furnished with a Second Part, by him and the other Bishops, and printed the Year before, and waited only for the Queen's Allowance to be publickly used in the Parish-Churches of the Nation. And this Motion the Archbi-(hop now made the rather, because he was minded to deliver these Books, to each Parish one, as he should go along in his intended Visitation, and give his Charge to the respective Ministers to read those Homilies for the Peoples Profit and Edification. And I find (b) two Editions of them (perhaps there were more) this Year 1563 printed. So that the Second Tome of Homilies was not publish'd, to be sure, before June 1563. Now the Book of Articles not only confirms the second Tome of Homilies, but has also the following Expressions concerning them, viz. Eas in Ecclesiis per ministros diligenter & clare, ut a populo intelligi possint, recitandas esse judicamus (according to Wolf's Edition) that is (according to the old English Edition) they are to be read in our Chur-

(a) Life of Archbishop Parker, Book 2. Ch. 13. p. 128.

⁽b) There are in St. John's College Library in Cambridge two Copies of the Second Tome of Homilies bearing Date 1563. There is a third in the University Library, and a fourth in Trinity College Library, in the same University, which bear the same Date. They are all in Quarte, and in some Respects different from each other. Whether the Diversity be such, as argues that they are of really different Impressions, I wish some Person that has Leisure and Patience enough, and understands Printing well, would examin and inform us.

ches by the Ministers diligently, plainly, & distinctly, that

they may be understanded of the People.

What Consequence may be drawn from hence, I am not able to fay. 'Tis likely enough, that fo full an Approbation of the second Tome of Homilies, and to plain a Judgment for the Use of them, would scarce be publish'd from the Convocation by the Queen's own Printers, whilst that Book still lay before her Majesty to be considered of, whether it should be used in Churches, or no. And yet on the other Hand, if the Royal Assent was actually given to the Articles before the Homilies were permitted to appear; there was no necessity of delaying the Publication of the Articles. Let the Reader therefore confider the State of those Times, the Spirit of that Queen, and the admirable Prudence of that Archbishop, &c. and then judge for himself. If we suppose, that the Queen approved the Homilies, before the Articles were at all publish'd; then the Homilies might be publish'd at Midsummer. and the Articles might either accompany them, or foon follow. Accordingly the first Editions of the Homilies, and also the Latin Edition of the Articles above mention'd, bear Date 1562. But we know not certainly, how those Matters were transacted; and therefore can bring no direct Proof, that the Articles made their first Appearance precisely at fuch a Time; particularly it can't be demonstrated, that any Edition of them came abroad till after March 25.

Nor do I conceive, that any clear Evidence can be given, that any Edition of them appear'd before that Date. Tis true, that, r. Bishop Bridges (c)

speaks

⁽c) Defence of the Ecclesiastical Government, &c. in answer to the Book intituled a Learned Discourse, &c. Lond. 1587. in the Answer to the Preface, p. 33.

speaks of the Articles set out 1562. 2. Dr. Heylyn (d) speaks of the Articles printed in Latin and English in the Year 1562. 3. Sir S. D'Ewes (e) speaks of the Bill with a little Book printed in the Year 1562; which little Book is justly suppos'd to have been the Book of Articles; especially considering, that afterwards treating of the same Matter, he (f) speaks of the Articles printed 1562. 4. Mr. Hamilton (g) saies, that in the very Year they were first agreed on (viz. in 1562, as he had faid just before) there were two printed Editions of the Articles, one in English and another in Latin, whereof the one had the Clause, and the other wanted it. From these Passages, especially the two sirst, it may seem to follow, that one or more Editions of the Articles bore Date 1562, or at least were published before March 25. 1563.

Now, before I examin the above cited Passages, I shall observe (tho' perhaps every body knows it) that we use two different Computations in this Nation, viz. the Common or Julian, which begins the Year on the first Day of January; and the Ecclesiastical, which begins the Year on the twenty fifth of March. Now the English Printers have at present a Custom of beginning their Computation, if not at the Michaelmas, yet at least at the Michaelmas Term, before the Common or Julian Computation. So that they antedate the Julian Computation by about three Months, as the Julian antedates the

Ecclesiastical in about the same Proportion.

I am not fo well vers'd in the Printers Antiquities, as to be able precifely to determin, how long

⁽d) History of the Presbyt. Book 6. Sect. 40. p. 268.

⁽e) Journals of Parliament in Q. Elizabeth's Reign, p. 1; 2, Lond. 1682.

⁽f) p. 184. (g) Some Necessity of Reformation, p. 14.

this Practice has obtain'd among them. I cannot at present recollect an ancienter Instance than Mr. Prynne's Histriomastix, which bears Date 1633. tho' the History of the Proceedings concerning it demonstrates, that 'twas publish d in Michaelmas Term 1632. Hence it appears, that this Custom is near a hundred Years old; but I cannot affirm, that it is as ancient as the beginning of Queen Eli-

zabeth's Reign.

Nay, I am rather inclin'd to believe the contrary. I have already observed, that there are in the University of Cambridge, four Copies of the second Tome of Homilies, all bearing Date 1563, and yet in some Respects different from each other. Now if they are all different Impressions; then, since the first of them (as I have observ'd from Mr. Strype) was not publish'd till about Midsummer at the soonest; it seems improbable, that three Impressions more should be wrought off within that Date, unless it were then extended to the beginning of the Julian Computation. But 'tis probable, that all those Copies may in Reality be of the very same Impression; and therefore I shall not insist upon an Argument drawn from the supposed Diversity of them. But what I infift upon, is this. Old Books do very commonly bear a Date both in the Title Page, and also at the latter End. The Date at the latter End often mentions the time when the Impression was finish'd: and I believe, 'twill be readily allowed, that the Date in the Title Page is futed to the time of Publication. Now I have never found one fingle Book, that I remember, in which the Year in the Title Page differs from that at the End; which must notwithstanding sometimes have happen'd, if the Printers did then antedate the time of the Publication, by beginning their Year of Publication at MichaelMichaelmas, or in the Michaelmas Term, before the Julian Year began. Whereas I'm sure, I have met with the contrary. That is, I'm sure, that Books printed and publish'd between Michaelmas and Christmas have born date the very same Year. For Instance, the first Tome of Homilies bears Date in the Title Page 1547, and at the End 5 Nov. 1547. Thus also the second Epistle prefix'd to Haddoni Lucubrationes is dated Nov. 1567, and the Title bears Date the same Year. Again, Plowden's Commentaries bear Date in the Title Page 1571, and at the End, Octob. 24. 1571. So that I see no ground to believe, that our Printers antedated the Julian Year so early even as the Reign of King James the First; nay, I rather think, we have good Reason to be-

lieve they did not.

But then, I am at the same time verily persuaded, that they never began their Year later than according to the Julian Computation, that is, on the first of January. And consequently, whatsoever was publish'd between the first of January 1562 of the Ecclesiastical, or 1563 of the Common Year, and the Michaelmas following, did undoubtedly, if it bore any Date at all, bear Date 1563. And accordingly, no Edition of the Articles of 1562 could be publish'd, between the passing of them, and the Michaelmas following, but what must needs bear, either that Date, or none at all. Wherefore, tho' Wolf's Edition bears Date 1562, yet 'tis in the Nature of the Thing, and according to the Printers Custom, very possible, that that Edition might be publish'd before March 25th of that Year, even as well as those English Editions, which are now extant without any Date of the Impression, might possibly be publish'd so early. But the Question is, whether any of the before mention'd Authorities will fairly prove it. For my part, I think not. For let us confider them diffinctly.

1. Bi-

1. Bishop Bridges speaks of the Articles set out 1562. Now it must be observ'd, that the Bishop cannot but mean the Ecclesiastical Year; because the Julian Year 1563 was actually begun, before that Convocation met, which agreed on the Articles. Nor does he affert, that the Articles bore that Date of the Impression; nor indeed do I think it probable, that they could bear it according to the Printers Practice. And therefore, fince Bishop Bridges was very young, when the Articles first came abroad, and in all probability did not observe that any fuch Book appear'd, at that very Time, when it was first publish'd: perhaps he mistook the exact time of their Appearance; knowing that they were agreed on in 1562 of the Ecclefiastical Computation, and supposing that the Publication immediatly follow'd (tho' he could not distinctly remember it, and positively affirm it upon his own personal Knowledge) before the new Ecclesiastical Year began. And indeed, put the Case in our own Daies; might not any Person (especially not being aware, that any thing of Moment depended on it) easily mistake, at above twenty Years distance, the particular Month, or exact time of the Year, when a particular Book was publish'd? Especially might not one that had not taken particular notice at the very time of the first Publication, easily misplace it, either a little before, or a little after, the 25th of March; by which means he would represent it in Figures a whole Year too foon, or a whole Year too late, tho' the Date of the Impression, if affix'd at all, must needs be the very same either way? Because the Julian Year is one quarter gone at March the 25th, when the Ecclesiastical Year begins. Wherefore I cannot think this Testimony fufficiently full, clear, and decifive.

2. Doctor

2. Dr. Heylyn speaks of the Articles printed both in Latin and English in the Year 1562. Here again I must observe, that the Doctor undoubtedly speaks of the Ecclefiastical Year, for the Reason already given. Nor do the Doctor's Words imply, that the Editions he speaks of, bore any Date at all; much less that they bore Date 1562. For, whether they bore any Date, or no; or altho' they were dated (as I am persuaded they would be, if dated at all) in the Julian Year 1562; yet they might notwithstanding have been both printed and publish'd in the Ecclesiastical Year 1562. Wherefore, what the Doctor saies, amounts to this, that the Articles were printed both in Latin and English before the 25th of March, on which Day the new Ecclefiastical Year began.

But then it must be observed, that the Doctor can't reasonably be understood of Latent Editions; that is, of Editions which were got ready, but not made public. At least, if the Doctor be so understood, his Words do not affect the present Question. For tho' the Editions might be got ready, yet if they were not publish'd, they do not come within the Limits of this Dispute. Wherefore I take the Liberty to suppose (what must needs be affirm'd, to make his Words pertinent to the Matter in Debate) that in the Doctor's Opinion the Editions were publish'd in 1562, that is, before the 25th of March, when the Ecclesiastical Year 1563 began. This

then, it seems, was his Opinion.

But the Reader must also consider the same Doctor's Words elsewhere. Next, saies (b) he, look we on the

⁽b) History of the Sabbath, Part 2. Ch. 8. Sect. 5. p. 486. amongst his Tracts, Lond. 1681. And lest the Reader should suspect any Mistake

the Homilies, part of the publick Monuments of the Church of England, set forth and authoriz'd, Anno 1562. being the fourth of that Queen's Reign. In that entituled, Of the Place and Time of Prayer, we shall find it thus. And then he quotes a Passage out of the Homily, which is manifestly a part of, and to be found in, the fecond Tome. Now what Mr. Strype faies, demonftrates the Doctor's Mistake with respect to the time when the Homilies were publish'd. And as he does not appear to have had, fo I don't fee how he could have, betrer Arguments for his Opinion about the Publication of the Articles, than he had for that about the Publication of the Homilies. Why then might he not be equally mistaken in both? Since he saies no more, than what implies his own Opinion of the Time of printing and publishing them, without alledging any certain Fact to build it on; and fince he faies the very fame thing of the Homilies, as well as of the Articles, tho' with respect to the Homilies he is evidently erroneous. Therefore his Veracity is fecured, tho'

I must add, that Archbishop Land in his Speech in the Starchamber, saies that the Latin Edition of 1563 was one of the first printed Copies, if not the first of all. Now Dr. Heylyn, speaking of this very Passage of Archbishop Land's, does not contradict or correct the Archbishop's Words; but saies (i) the late Archbishop of Canterbury in his Speech in the Star-

his Opinion be rejected.

Missake in the Print, the Edition in Quarto, Lond. 1636. which is the second, and said to be revised, reads it after the same manner; nor is it corrected in the Errata of this Quarto Edition, tho' publish'd in so early a part of his own Life Time; for I have already observed, how much his Eyes fail'd him before the Restoration.

⁽i) Animadversions on Fuller's Church-History, p. 144: Chamber.

Chamber, June 15. 1637. made it appear, that the faid Clause was in a printed Book of Articles published in the Year 1563, being but very few Months after they had paf-fed in the Convocation, which was on the 29th of January, 1562, in the English Account. Here I must observe. that tho' the Articles were passed by the Upper House on the 29th of Fanuary; yet they were not passed by the Lower House till the 5th of February; and how long they waited for the Royal Affent, is uncertain. And furely they were not publish'd till both Houses had passed them, and the Royal Assent was given. But I need not infift upon this. Let us suppose them passed on the 29th of January, and begin to reckon from that very Day. 'Tis notorious, that there were not two Months, between Fanuary the 29th, and March the 25th, on which Day even the Ecclesiastical Year 1563 began. And confequently the Doctor could not fay, there were few Months, tho' very few, between the passing of the Articles and the Publication of that Copy, upon Supposition of its being publish'd in the Ecclesiastical Year 1562. For Months, few Months, very few Months, must at least denote two Months. Whereas if this Latin Copy were publish'd but a Week or two (much more, if 'twere publish'd a full Month, or more) after March 25th, 1563, of either the Ecclefiaftical or the Julian Computation; the Doctor's Expression is just and natural, and exactly agrees with the Date which that Edition bears. Dr. Heylyn therefore is so far from denying, that he manifestly afferts, that the Latin Edition of Wolf, which Archbishop Laud seem'd (and surely with very great Reason) to think the very first, was not publish'd till after March 25th, 1563.

I must add, that in the above mention'd Passage of his History of the Presbyterians, the Doctor has unhappily miscall'd the Year of the Queen. For she came to the Throne on November the 17th 1568; and the Parliament was summon'd to begin on Monday the 11th of Fanuary 1562 of the Ecclesiastical, but 1563 of the Julian, Stile. And on the 12th Day that Convocation met, which prepar'd and pass'd the Articles, and the second Tome of Homilies. So that the Parliament and the Convocation were holden, not in the fourth, but in the fifth of that Queen. And accordingly, our Statute Book. and the Journals of Parliament publish'd by Sir S. D'Ewes, and the Register of the Upper House of that Convocation, and the form of Subscription in the Bennet College MS. constantly and expresly call it the fifth of her Reign. And furely, if the Doctor could mistake the Year of the Queen, he might eafily mistake the precise time of the Publication of a Book, especially of the English Editions, of which none that is extant (printed before 1571) does, and probably none ever did, bear any Date of the Impression. Nay farther, the Doctor himself does elsewhere call this Year the fifth of the Queen. His (a) Words are these, But in the Convocation of the Year 1562, being the fifth of the Queen's Reign, &c. So that he corrects himself in one Respect; and probably, had he publish'd his History of the Presbyterians in his own Life time, he would have corrected what at present stands written in that Book with respect to the Date of the Impression of the Articles.

3. Sir S. D'Ewes mentions the Bill with a little Book printed in the Year 1562, and the Articles printed in 1562. Now I most readily grant, that that little Book was

⁽a) Ecclesia Vindicata, amongst his Tracts, Lond. 1681. p. 13.

an English printed Copy of our Articles pass'd in 1562, and the same which he afterwards calls the Articles printed 1562. But yet it must be observ'd, First, That those Articles either bore no Date of the Impression, or else (as I have shewn before) they bore Date 1563. And consequently the Date of the Book could not prove, that 'twas printed in the Year 1562. Secondly, That Sir Simonds does not pretend, that he had ever feen that Book of Articles: and 'tis evident even to Demonstration (for I have very carefully examin'd the Record) that no Book was ever tack'd to the Act that pass'd. Nay. 'twill afterwards be made highly probable, that the House of Commons it self, tho' it brought in the Bill with a little Book of Articles in 1566; yet, when they proceeded on that Affair in 1571, they did themselves drop that Book of Articles, and the Bill pass'd without it. Thirdly, That Sir Simonds must be understood to mean, that the Edition was not only printed, but publish'd, in 1562; as I have already argued with relation to Dr. Heylyn.

These things being premis'd, I ask, whether Sir Simonds's Expressions can in Equity be judg'd sufficient Proof, that that Copy of the Articles was publish'd before March 25. Might not that laborious Journalist be deceiv'd, either by making a salfe Judgment of the Circumstances (as Dr. Heylyn certainly did with relation to the Publication of the Homilies) or else by some of those Persons, whose Collections and Papers he us'd? For he has informed us, that that most useful Work was compiled out of a great variety of MSS. Nor does it appear from whence this Date was taken; whether he transcribed it from the Original Journal of the House of Commons (which is now lost) or from the Minutes of

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fome Member of the House, who noted Matters for his own Satisfaction. How easily might any Member, or the Clerk of the House, seeing a printed Book of the Articles (which doubtless bore the Date of the Convocation's Agreement on them, whether the Date of the Impression were expressed, or no) mistake the Date of the Agreement for the Date of the Impression; and enter a little Book (meaning of Articles) printed in the Year 1562, instead of a little printed Book of the Articles of 1562; or Articles printed in 1562, instead of printed Articles of 1562? Something of this nature might easily happen; because the Date of the Impression could not be 1562.

I must add, that Sir S. D'Ewes, or the Person from whom he copied, seems to have been remarkably negligent in the former of the two foregoing Passages. For he tels us in the same Breath, even in the very next Words to those which I have been considering, that the Year 1562 was the fourth or fifth of Queen Elizabeth's Reign. That 'twas really the fifth is notorious; and has been prov'd already. Nay, Sir S. himself expressly stiles it so in his Journal of the Parliament of that Year, p. 57, 78. and yet in this Place he speaks doubtfully. Which demonstrates, that this matter had been entred too hastily; and that he might easily mistake the precise time of the Publication of a Book, who wrote so uncertainly, and so differently from himself, about the Year of the Queen in the very same Paragraph.

4. What has been already faid, may be applied to what was quoted from Mr. Hamilton, who there-

fore deserves no particular Examination.

Upon the whole, I must acknowledge, that there does not appear to me any one Authority or Circumstance sufficient to carry the Point, to weigh

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down all other Confiderations, and to determin on either side, whether any Edition appear'd before the 25th of March, or no. If the Reader will give me the Liberty of Conjecture, I own my felf inclined to think, that no Edition appear'd till after the Second Tome of Homilies was publish'd, and that the Latin Edition bearing Date 1562, was the very first; and that the several Impressions of the English Translation followed soon after. For that the English Translation was undoubtedly publish'd before the Sitting of the Parliament in 1566, will appear in the following Section.

CHAP. XVIII.

Some Passages relating to the Articles in the Tear 1566.

THE Convocation met again in 1566; but Dr. Heylyn's Abstract shews us, that no Business was done or proposed, except what related to a Subfidy, which they granted to the Queen.

But the Parliament had the Articles before them. For the Commons brought in a Bill to oblige the Clergy to subscribe them. This Bill (a) had its first reading on Thursday, Dec. 5. its second reading on Tuesday Dec. 10. and its third and last on Friday Dec. 13. 'Twas then sent to the Lords on Saturday Dec. 14. and read by them the first time on that Day. Now this Bill was the same with that for found Religion, which was passed in the thirteenth of Eliz. and makes the twelfth Chapter of that Year; as will more fully appear afterwards. And confe-

⁽a) See Sir S. D'Ewes's Journal, p. 111, 132, 133, 184, 185. quently

quently there was a Defign then on foot to oblige the inferior Clergy in general to subscribe the English Translation of the Articles; for the Title of the Articles is in that Bill recited in English. From whence it follows, that the English Translation, tho' it might possibly have been published in 1563. was undoubtedly publish'd by that time.

But this Defign miscarried. Sir S. D'Ewes, if I understand him right, (b) imputes it to some sinifter Counsel given to the Queen. Who gave the Queen that finister Counsel, he does not tell us. I am apt to think, it might as well be faid of Queen Elizabeth, as of Lewis the Eleventh of France, that all her Council rode upon one Horse; that is, tho she heard the Opinions of others, yet she followed her own Advice. And probably she did so in this very Cafe. However, 'tis observable, that the Bishops were zealous for the Passing of this Act. For there is in the Library of St. John's College in Cambridge, a rough Copy of a Petition (bestow'd upon that Society by the Reverend Mr. Harbin, whom I have already mention'd, p. 166.) interlined with Archbishop Parker's own Hand, and marked with his red Lead Pencil, which the Bishops then presented to the Queen for that Purpose. I will exhibit it at large. Only I must first advertise the Reader, that those Words which are printed in a different Character, are the Interlineations of Archbishop Parker, and that Strokes of the red Lead Pencil do sometimes guide to, and distinguish, the Interlineations.

To the Quenes most excellent Majestie.

Most humblie besechen your most excellent Majestie, your faithfull lowing and obedient Subjects, the Archeby-

⁽b) p. 184.

shops and Byshops of both the Provinces within this your Majesties Realme, whos Names are herunder written,

that it wold please your Highnes according to your accustomed benignitie, to have gracious Consideration of

their humble Sute insuyng. Wheras a Bill bath lately pussed in your Mujesties lower Howse of Parliament concerning Uniformitie in Doctrine and Confirmation of certeyn Articles agreed upon by thole Clergie of this your Mijesties Realme, in the late · Convocation called together by Commandement of your Majesties Writt accostomed and therby bolden in the fifth Yere of your Majesties most happie Reigne, which Bill was lately exhibited to your Highnes upper Howse of Parliament, with special Recommendation as wel at the first Delivery therof as agayn of late by Recommendation renuyed from the faid lower Howse: and therupon was ones red in the said upper Howse, so it is, that we understande that the further reading of the said Bill in your upper Howse is stayed by your Majesties speciall Commaundement. Wherupon we your Highnes humble and faithfull Subjects thinke our selves bound in Conscience as wel to the Sacred Majestie of Almighti God as in respecte of our Ecclesiafticall Office and Charge, toward your Hignes and ' lovyng Subjects of your Realme to make our severall and most humble Sute unto your Majestie, that it may please the same to graunte, that the said Bill by Order from your Majestie may be red examined and judged by your Highnes (aid upper Howse with all Expedition, and that if it be allowed of, and do passe by Ordre there, it wold please your Majestie to give your Royall Assent therunto The Reasons that enforce us to make this humble Peticion, are thies: First, The matter it self toucheth the Glorie of God, the Advauncement of true Religion and the Salvation of Christian Sowlles, and therfor owght principally and chieflie and before al other thinges

thinges to be fought. Secondlie, In the Boke, which is now defired to be confirmed, are conteyned the principall Articles of Christian Religion, most agreable to Gods Worde, publicklie synce the begynning of your Majesties Reisne professed, and by your Highnes Authoritie set furth and maynteaned. Thirdly, Diverse and sundry Errors, and namely suche as have been in this Realme wickedly and obstinately by the Adversaries of the Gospell defended, are by the same Articles condemned. Fourth-· lye, Thapprobation of thies Articles by your Majestie shalbe a verie good Meane to estably she and confirme all your Highnes Subjects in one Consent and Unitie of true Doctrine, to the great Quiete and Safetie of your Majestie and this your Realme, wheras now for want of a plays Certentie of Articles of Doctrine by Law to be declared, great Distraction and Dissention of Myndes is at this present among your Subjects and dailie is like more and more to encrease, and that with verie great Daunger in Policie the Circumstances considred, if the said Boke of Articles be now steyd in your Majesties Hand or (as God forbid) rejected. Fifthlye, considering, that this matter so narrowlie toucheth the Glorie of God, the Synceritie of Religion, the Helth of Christian Sowlles, the godlie Unitie of your Realme, with the Utilitie therof, and the Daungers on the contrarie, we thought it our most bounden Dueties, being placed by God and your Highnes, as Pastors and chief Ministers in this Churche, and suche as are to give a Reckenyng before God of our Pastorall Office, with all humble and earnest Sute to beseche your Majestie to have due Consideration of this Matter, as the Governour and Nourse of this Churche; having also an Accompt to rendre unto Almightie God, the King of Kings for your Charge and Office. Thus most gracious Sovereyn Ladie, your faid humble Subjects moved with the Causes above rehersed, besides diverse others here for Brevitie sake omitted, beseche your most excellent Majefie fie that this our Petition may take good Effecte, as the Weightynes of the Cause requireth and that before thende of this present Session of Parliament. And we according to our most bounden Dueties shall dailye pray to God, for the Preservation of your Majestie in Honor Helth and

Prosperitie long to reigne.

Now the rough Copy of the Petition above recited is written on three Sheets of Paper, the Lines being very distant the one from the other, according to the Custom of Lawyers; and at the top of the inner Margin of the first Sheet are these Words (written, I am persuaded, with Archbishop Parker's own Hand, only with a different Pen and Ink) viz. Exhibited to the Q. Majestye the 24th of Decembre anno 1566. And a little lower on the same Margin are these Words (written by the same Archbishop) viz. The Bill of Religion frist red of the lower Howse and fent up to the hier Howse and ther onys red and afterward steyd by Commandement from the Q. Majestie. From all which it is plain, that the Spiritual Lords did not persuade the Queen to prevent the Passing of this Bill; but us'd their best Endevors to promote it, and obtain the Royal Assent. The Necessity of proving this Point will appear in the Sequel.

CHAP. XIX.

Proceedings of the Convocation in 1571, relating to the Articles.

Pass on to the Convocation held in 1571, in

which the Articles were revised.

The Acts of this Convocation perished in the Fire of London; but Dr. Heylyn's Abstract furnishes as with some imperfect Notices.

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'Twas opened on April the third. The Abstract' tels us, that Dr. Whitgift preached, his Text being Acts 15.6. in qua (to use the Words of the Abstract) de instituto & auctoritate synodorum, de inimicis ecclesia, Puritantibus scilicet & Papistis, de usu vestimentorum & ornamentorum, & post de multis in futura Synodo reformandis, tractabat. The Sermon was never printed, but the original MS. is in Lambeth Library. And 'tis observable, that it takes no notice of any Defign to revise the Articles; tho' that was most certainly done by this very Convocation. 'Tis probable therefore, that nothing of that kind was intended, till it was understood, that the House of Commons were resolved to have a Bill brought in to oblige the Clergy to subscribe the Articles.

On April 7. being the fecond Session, Dr. Fohn Elmer, Archdeacon of Lincoln, was presented and confirmed Prolocutor. Which done, the Abstract has these Words; Et tune dietus Reverendissimus voluit & just, ut omnes de catu corum, qui Articulis Anni 1562 hactenus non subscripferunt, modo ils subscribant; & quod omnes & singuli, qui iis subscribere noluerint aut recusaverint (si qui tales inveniantur) a dicta domo inferiori

penitus excludantur.

The third Session was on Fryday, April 20. the fourth on Fryday April 27. but nothing was done on either of them relating to the Articles. The fifth and Sixth Seffions were on May 4, 11. when we

find these Words, viz.

Friday, May 4. the Bishops being assembled, and Prayers faid, post tractatum aliquandiu inter Reverendissimum & Confratres suos secrete habitum, tandem unanimiter convenit, ut sequitur, viz.

That when the Book of Articles touching Doctrine shall be fully agreed upon, that then the same shall be put in print by the Appointment of my Lord of Sarum, and a Price ra-

ted for the same to be sold.

Item, That the same being printed, every Bishop to have a competent Number thereof to be publish'd in their Synods throughout their several Dioceses, and to be read in every Parish Church four times every Year.

Fryday, May II. the Bishops being met in a low Parlour at Lambeth, de & super rebus Ecclesiæ & libro articulorum de doctrina (ut apparuit) secrete semotis omnibus arbitris tractarunt; which may perhaps have been the Subject of that two Hours Conference, which they had afterwards on Wednesday, May 23. Sess. 8.

On Wednesday, May 30. the Convocation was

dissolved, &c.

The Reader can't but observe, that this Account is very short. However, by the Assistance of some other Particulars, I shall be able to enlarge it.

CHAP. XX.

Of that Copy of Wolf's Edition of the Articles, which was subscribed by the lower House of Convocation in 1571, and is now lodg'd in the Bodlevan Library, and which I have called Bod. 1.

IN the foregoing Collation I have exhibited the Variations made by correcting a Copy of Wolf's Edition, which was subscribed by the Lower House of Convocation in 1571, and which is now lodg'd in the Bodleyan Library, and denoted by Bod. I.

That those who subscrib'd this Copy, were undoubtedly the Lower House of that Convocation which met in 1571, appears, not only from the fe-S A

veral Endorsements of the Subscription Roll (of which I shall prefently take notice) but also from the following Copy of the Subscription it self. Only observe, 1. That I have been forc'd to add Numbers for a reason that will soon discover it self. 2. That this Roll confifts of Two Pieces of Parchment, both of the same Bredth, the one pasted to the other. In the first or upper Piece the Subfcriptions are written in Two Columns, and each of them generally makes Two or Three Lines: but in the fecond or lower Piece there is one Column only.

Johannes Almerus, Proloquutor.

Thomas Godzvynus, Decanus Cantuar.

Thomas Lawle, Procurator Capituli Cantt.

4 Andreas Peerson, nomine Cleri Cant. 70. Hyll, Procurator Cleri Cant.

Alexander Nowell, Decanus D. Pauli London.

Tho. Wattes, Archidiaconus Midd. & Procurator Capituli London.

Fo. Briggewater, Arch. Roffen. & Procurator Cle-

ri Roffen.

Bartholomæus Busfellus, Procurator Cleri Roffen.

10 Fohannes Garbrand, Procurator Cleri Sarisburiensis. Foannes Yong, Procurator Cleri London. ΙI

Henricus Wright, Procurator Cleri London. 12

Gabriell Goodman, Decanus Westmonaster. 13

Guillielmus Latimer, Archidiaconus Westmonaster. 14

Franciscus Newton, Decanus Winton. IS Guliel. Overtonus, Procurator Capituli. 16

17 Stephanus Cheston, Archidiaconus Winton.

Joannes Watson, Archid. Surrey. 18

Johannes Brigges, Procurator Cleri Winton. 19 20

Joannes Sprynt, Procurator Cleri Winton. Johannes Pierse, Decanus Ecclesiæ Christi Oxon. 21

Aegidius Laurens, Archidiaconus Wiltes. 22

Thomas White, Archid. Berks. 21 Hez24 Henricus Worley, Procurator Cleri Cicift.

25 Guilielmus Hopkinson, Procurator Cleri Cicest.

26 Jo. Cottrell, Archidiaconus Wellen. et Archidiaconus Dorfett.

27 Adrianus Hawthorn, Procurator Capituli et Cleri Bathon, et Wellen.

28 Tobias Matthew, Archidiaconus Bathon.

29 Philippus Bisse, Procurator Cleri Bathon. et Wellen.

30 (a) Guillielmus Latimerus, Decanus Petriburgen. 31 Nicholaus Shepard, Archidiaconus Northampton. 32 Willielmus Fluyd, Procurator Cleri Petriburgen.

33 Petrus Morwin, Procurator Henrici Squier Archidiaconi Barstapolis.

34 Oliverus Whiddon, Arch. Totton. 35 Andreas Perne, Decanus Eliensis.

36 Joannes Whitgift, Procurator Capituli et Cleri Eliensis.

37 Thomas Ithell, (b) alter Procurator Cleri Elien.

38 Tho. Thornton, Procurator Capituli Oxon. 39 Galfridus Lewys, Procurator Cleri Oxon.

40 70. Argallus, Procurator Cleri Oxon.

41 Arthurus Saulus, Procurator Ecclesiæ Cath. Gloucestrensis et Bristoliensis.

42 Guido Eyton, Archidiac. Gloscest.

43 Thomas Blage, Procurator Cleri Glocestrensis.

44 Anthonius Higgins, Procurator Cleri Gloucestrensis.

45 (c) Johannes Igulden, substitutus pro Decano Excestrensi.

46 Thomas Noke, substitutus pro Decano Vigornensi.

47 Gulielmus Turnbull, (d) Procurato Capitulo Wigorn. 48 Joannes Bullingham, Archidiaconus Huntingdon, et Procurator Cleri Wigorn.

(a) This is written in the fame Hand with Numb. 14.

(b) There is a small Stroke drawn thro' the Word alter; so that I presume, 'twas struck out by the Writer.

(c) Here beginneth the second Column on the first piece of Parchment.

(d) 'Tis so written. 49 Johan-

49 Johannes Ælmer, Archid. Lincoln. et Procurator Cleri Lincoln.

50 Fo. Longlond, Archidiaconus Bucks.

51 Willielmus Rodd, Archidiaconus Bedford. 52 Joannes Belley, Procurator Cleri Lincol.

72 Rogerus Kelk, Archidiaconus de Stow.

54 Th. Byckley, Procurator Rich. Barber Arch. Leicestrensis.

55 Gregorius Garthe, Procurator Capituli Linc.

56 Thomas Turner, Procurator Thomae Powell, Archidiaconi Wigorn.

37 Johannes Langford, Procurator Cleri Wigorn.

58 Lawrentius Nowell, Decanus Lychefeild, et Archidiaconus Derbie.

59 Th. Byckley, Archid. Stafford. et Procur. Capituli

Lichfild.

60 Thomas Chapman, Proc. Cleri Covent. & Lych.

61 Johannes Ellys, Decanus Heref. et Procurator Capituli et Cleri ibidem.

62 Edw. Cooper, Archidiaconus Heref.

63 Robertus Grinsell, Archidiaconus Salop.

64 Thomas Harley, Procurator Cleri Herefordensis.

65 Thomas Huett, Præcentor Meneven. et Procurator Capituli ibidem.

66 Edwardus Throlkeld, Procurator Willielmi Luffy, Ar-

chid. Carmardyn.

67 Willielmus Blethin, Archidiaconus Brechon.

68 Willielmus Blethin, Procurator Capituli et Cleri Landaven.

69 Ludovicus Gwyn, Archidiaconus Cardigan, & Procurator Cleri Meneven.

70 Ludovicus Williams, Procurator Cleri Menevensis.

71 Johannes Chepman, Procurator Cleri de Bristoll. 72 Johannes Northbroke, Procurator Cleri Bristoll.

73 Ludovicus Baker, Archidiaconus Landaven, & Procurator Capituli et Cleri Landaven.

74 Ro-

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74 Rolandus Thomas, Decanus Bang. & Procurator Cleri ibidem.

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75 Owinus Owen, Archidiaconus Mirionith.

76 Rolandus Thomas, Procurator Edmundi Meurycke Archidiaconi Bangor.

77 Johannes Roland, Procurator Capituli & Cleri Bangor.

78 Ludovic. Evans, Cleri Assaph. Procurator.

79 Guilbelmus Marston, Procurator Cleri Exon.

80 Guilbelmus Marston, Procurator Roberti Fissber, Archidiaconi Exon.

81 Johannes Pierse, Procurator Johannis Keinoll, Archidiaconi Oxon.

82 Per me Davidem Kempe (e) Alban.

82 (f) Richardus Chandler, Archidiaconus Sarum, & Procurator Capituli Sarum.

84 Anthonius Russhe, Decanus Ecclesia Cicestrensis.

85 Tho. Drant, Archid. Lewensis, et Procurator Capituli Cicestrensis.

86 Justinianus Lancastre, Archidiaconus Taunton. 87 Jo. Woolton, Procurator Cleri Exon.

Thomas Bolt, Archidiaconus Salop.

89 Facobus Ellys, Procurator Cleri Petriburgen.

90 Rolandus Thomas, Procurator Hugonis Evans, Decani Assaph.

91 David Powellus, Procurator Cleri Assaphensis.

92 Thomas Aldrich, Arch. (e) Subbur.

93 Georgius Withers, Archidiaconus Colcestria.

94 Thomas Cole, Archid. Effex.

95 W. Daye, Præpositus Collegii de Eton.

96 Fo. Hyll, Procurator Rogeri Allen, Archid. Cornubiæ.

97 Lucas Gilpin, Procurator Jo. Parckar, Archidiaconi Eliens.

(e) See p. 193. Note (d).

(f) Here beginneth the second piece of Parchment.

98 Willielmus (g) 'Tis so written.

98 Willielmus Maister, Procurator domini Johannis Salisburie, Decani Nordovic. et Richardi Underwood, Archidiaconi ibidem. Et etiam Procurator Archidiaconi Anglesey.

99 Johannes Walker, Procurator Cleri Norwic. prote-

stando.

100 Johannes Igulden, Procurator pro Decano Bristo-

101 Matheus Carew, Archid. Norff.

102 Thomas Fowle, Procurator Capituli Ecclefix Cathedralis Norwicen, protestando.

103 Jo. Pratt, Archidiaconus Meneven.

104 Nicholaus Sympson, Sacra Theologia publicus pralector in ecclesia Cathedrali et Metropoli Cant.

This Roll is thus indorfed in a later Hand:

The Subscription of the Lower Howse of the Convocation of Canterburie.

And beneath that is another Indorfement in a different Hand from the former, viz.

The Subscription of the Lower Howse.

Every body will observe, that very many of the foregoing Subscribers were famous in their Time: and as their Names must and do appear in many Registers and authentic Monuments; so their Hand Writing is well known. And the Roll which contains their Names, being fo carefully fasten'd to the printed Copy, and purposely made of such a Bredth as should fit it (tho' the Parchment is for that Reason very narrow; so that feveral Subscriptions of single Persons make two Lines even in the lower or fecond Piece of Parchment) it is manifest, that the Lower House subscribed this very Copy of Articles in a Body. And indeed

indeed, never did any Subscription carry more evident Marks of its being what it appears; nor do I believe it possible for any Person that views it (as some Years since I did my self, tho' I am oblig'd to a Friend for my present Account of it) provided he be in any measure conversant in these Matters. to suspect any Fraud in this Case.

As for the Subscribers themselves, 'tis notorious, that they are all of them of the Southern Province. I must also make the following Observations con-

cerning them.

1. That the Prolocutor subscribed at the Head of them, by virtue of his Office; but repeated his Subscription afterwards upon the account of that double Capacity, by which he became a Member of the House. See Numb. 1, 49.

2. That diverse others, besides the Prolocutor, subscribed for themselves in a double Capacity. See Numb. 7, 8, 26, 27, 36, 41, 48, 58, 59, 69, 74, 77, 83, 85. To which must be added 14, 30.

3. That several subscribed for themselves even

in a treble Capacity. See Numb. 61, 67, 68, 73.

4. That 'tis uncertain, in what Capacity some

of them subscribed. See Numb. 95, 104.

5. That feveral subscribed by their Proxies; and as the particular Names of the greater part of them are expresly mention'd; see Numb. 33, 54, 56, 66, 76, 80, 81, 90, 96, 97, 98, 100. so only the Preferments of a few others are set down; see

Numb. 45, 46, 98, 100.

6. That several Persons subscribed for others, whose Proxies they were; and yet did not sub-scribe for themselves. Thus Igulden subscribed for the Dean of Exeter, Numb. 45. Morrovin for Squier, Numb. 33. Noke for the Dean of Worcester, Numb. . 46. Throlkeld for Luffy, Numb. 66. and Turner for Powell, Numb. 56. 7. That

7. That Walker and Fowle Subscribed protestando, Numb. 99, 102. What they meant by the addition of that Word, I am not able to affirm. But 'tis probable, they meant the same with those Persons, who protested in 1562; of which see Chap. 6. p. 208.

I will now cast the Names of the Subscribers in-

to an Alphabetical Order.

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-Almerus (Almer)	1,49	(Jacob.)	. 89
Aldrich	92	Evans (Ludov.)	78
Allen	96	(Hugo)	90
Argallus	40	Eyton	42
Baker	73	Fissher .	80
Barber	54	Fluyd	32
Belley	52	Forvle	102
	7, 68	Garbrand	.10
·Bi∬e	29	Garthe	55
Blage	43	Godwynus	2
Bolt	88	Goodman	13
Brigges	19	Grinsell	63
Briggewater	8	Gruyn	69
Bullingham	48	Harley	64
Busfellus	9	Hawthorn	27
Byckley	59	Higgins	44
Carew	101	Hopkinson	25
Chandler	83	Huett	65
Chapman	60	Hyll	5
Chepman	71	Ithell	37
Chefton	17	Keinoll	81
Cole	94	Kelk	53
Cooper	62	Kempe	82
Cottrell	26	Lancastre	86
·Daye	95	Langford	57
Drant	85	Latimerus	30
Ellys (Johan.)	6 r	Latimer	14
			Laurens

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Laurens	22	Russhe	84
Lawse	3	Salisburie	98
Lervys	3.9	Saulus	41,
Longlond	50	Shepard	31
Luffy	. 66	Sprynt	20
Marston	79 .	Squier	. 33
Matthew !	28	Sympson	104
Meurycke	76	Thomas	74
Newton	15	Thornton	38
Northbroke	11. 72	Turnbull	**::.47
Nowell (Alex.)	6	Underwood	98
(Lawr.)	58	Walker	. 99
Overtonus	16	Watson	. 18.
Orven .	. 75	Wattes	7
Parckar	97	Whiddon.	34
Peerson	11 4	White	. 23
Perne	35	Whitgift	36
Pierse ;		Williams	70
Powell (Tho.)		Withers	93
Powellus (Dav.)	91	Woolton	87
Pratt	. 103	Worley	24
Rodd	5 I .	Wright	· 12
Roland	77	Yong ::	11

If the Reader compares this Catalogue with that of the Lower House in 1562, which he will find in Chap. 6. p. 209, 210, he must needs observe, that the Subscribers are partly different, and partly the fame: and that the Names of the same Subscribers are spelt in this Subscription, partly as in the former, and partly in a manner somewhat different. This Difference is manifestly occasioned sometimes by the respective Persons writing their Names in a different Language. Compare Cole, Saulus, Walker; and also Godwynus and Hyllus, as they stand in this Catalogue, with the Names that answer

them

them (for I presume they were the same Persons) in the Catalogue of 1562. The Names of some others were written by their Proxies; and might for that Reason easily vary from what they usually wrote themselves, or was written by another Proxy. Compare Barber, Keinoll, Meurycke, Salifburie, Squier, with the same Names in the other Catalogue. To which I must add Lussy. For, since the Subscription of 1562 was wrought off, I have been affured from the Registry of the Diocese, that William Lewson was made Archdeacon of Carmarthen in 1554, and continued in that Dignity till 1583, when Meredith Morgan succeeded him. As for Briggewater and Eyton, if they are (as I believe) the same with Bridgwater and Heton, in the other Subféription, then they altered the Spelling of their Names.

The next Question is, when this Roll was subscribed, and upon what Occasion. 'Tis evident that 'twas subscrib'd whilst the Convocation sate. But the Registers of this Convocation are lost; and the Subscription bears no Date at all; nor is there any previous Form: and confequently the Roll it felfdoes not shew, for what Reason the Subscription was made, or at what particular Time. But we have tolerable Information notwithstanding.

I have observed in the foregoing Chapter, that in Dr. Heylyn's Abstract of the second Session held on April the 7th, we have these Words, Et tunc dictus Reverendissimus voluit & jussit, ut omnes de catu eorum, qui articulis Anni 1562 hactenus non subscripserunt, modo iis subscribant; & quod omnes & singuli, qui iis sub-scribere noluerint aut recusaverint (si qui tales inveniantur) a dicta domo inferiori penitus excludantur. And accordingly in his History of the Presbytereans he

(a) gives us this Account; The first thing which followed the confirming of the Prolocutor, was a Command given by the Archbishop, That all such of the lower House of Convocation, who had not formerly subscribed unto the Articles of Religion agreed upon anno 1562, should subscribe them now; or on their absolute refusal, or Procrastination, be expelled the House. Which wrought so well, that the said Book of Articles, being publickly read, was universally approved, and personally subscribed by every Member of both Houses, as appears clearly by the Ratification at

the end of those Articles.

'Tis evident therefore from the Doctor's Abstract, that the Lower House were immediatly required by the President to Subscribe. But then, whereas the Doctor endevors to prove, that they did all Subscribe in obedience to this Injunction, from the mention which is made in the Ratification of a Subscription of the Lower House in 1571, he is certainly mistaken. For there was a twofold Subscription to the Articles made by the Lower House of this very Convocation, viz. one to this Copy of Wolf's Edition now under Confideration; and another to the Articles as they were afterwards revised. That there was a Subscription to this Copy of Wolf's Edition, the Subscription Roll demonstrates; and that the Subscription to this Copy could not be that Subscription, which is mentioned in the Ratification of 1571, will be exceedingly evident to fuch as confider, what Alterations were made in both the Latin and English Text of the Articles by this very Convocation; Tables of which I shall exhibit in the next Chapter. Besides, that Ratification affirms, that the Lower House had again subscribed the Articles before re-

⁽a) Book 6, Sect. 39.

Truth

bearfed; and 'tis notorious, that one of those Articles is the Twenty ninth: Whereas the Lower House could not be faid to have subscrib'd the Twenty ninth Article, upon the account of their having subscrib'd the Copy now under Consideration. For this Copy has not that Article in it; it having not been printed by Wolf, nor added with a Pen. 'Tis plain therefore, that as this Copy was Subscrib'd by the Lower House of 1571; so also the fame Lower House subscribed again, when the Articles were revis'd, and in so many places alter'd, and the Twenty ninth Article was added in both the Latin and English Text, tho' 'twas before wanting in all the Copies. For 'twas necessary, that those Corrections of the Articles should pass both Houses. And consequently that second Subscription is what the Ratification mentions; and the Subscription made upon the Roll fastened to this Copy of Wolf's Edition, was (I presume) purely in Obedience to the President's Injunction at the opening of the Convocation.

I conceive therefore, that Matters were transacted thus. The Copy we are now discoursing on, has four blank Leaves fowed into the Book at the End of it, after 'twas bound up. If these Leaves were added, before the Subscription was made (as I see no Reason to doubt) I presume they were intended to receive the Subscriptions of such as had not subscribed in 1562. But the House, upon due Confideration of the Matter, resolved not barely to do what the President had injoined, viz. to require the Subscription of such as had not subscribed before, but even to subscribe in a Body, so that fuch as had formerly subscribed, repeated their Subscription again; and thereby the Unanimity of the House, and their joint Perseyerance in the

Truth which fo great a Number of them had formerly professed, were more effectually declared.

Now when this Copy of Wolf's Edition was thus fubscrib'd, it belong'd (I presume) to the President of the Convocation, and was intirely at his disposal as his own Property. But then, how twas separated from Archbishop Parker's other Papers, and consequently never came to Bennet College Library, I believe, none can determin. 'Tis certain, that this very subscribed Copy came into the Hands of Archbishop Laud. For in his Speech in the Star-Chamber, he tells us, that he had (not in his Office, or Public Registry, but) in his own Hands (that is, in his Paper Study, as he (b) elsewhere cals it) the Book of 1562 (that is Wolf's Edition) subscrib'd by all the Lower House of Convocation in the Year 1571, Dr. J. Elmer being at the Head of them, &c. And the same is now in the Bodleyan Library, and came in as one of Mr. Selden's Books. Whether the Archbishop's Paper Study at Lambeth was a Room set apart for the Custody of such Papers, as were to be lodg'd in the Hands of the Archbishops themselves, and so descend to their Successors, and remain in their own immediate Custody, and not in their public Offices (for there is at present no Room call'd the Paper Study; and that Archiepiscopal Seat has undergon vast Alterations in and fince those dismal Times) and whether upon this account Archbishop Land said, that that Copy was in his own Hands; let others judge. 'Tis too plain, that every Corner of that great Prelate's Palace was shamefully pillaged; and no wonder that Mr. Selden got so great a Curiosity in fuch Times.

Now

⁽b) History of his Troubles and Tryal, p. 268.

Now the Corrections made upon this Copy are but few; and the Reader will find them in Art. 2. Numb. 24, 27. Art. 6. Numb. 23. Art. 9. Numb. 24. Art. 19. Numb. 2. Art 21. Numb. 9. Art. 23. Numb. 2. Art. 25. Numb. 21. Art. 26. Numb. 19. Art. 27. Numb. 6.

If it be inquired, whether this Copy were corrected by the Record, or no; I answer, that I pre-fume it was not. For if my Conjecture offered in Chap. 73. be admitted, it manifestly varies from it. Besides, had it been corrected by the Record, the . Word facrificium would not probably have been first written, and then struck out again, at the end of the second Article. For that hostia was in the Record, according to the Correction at the end of Welf's Edition, and as the Bennet College MS. reads, I think, can't be doubted. Wherefore I am of Opinion, that this Copy was corrected according to the Mind of the Person that prepared it for the House, or according as it appear'd reasonable to the House, upon its being read aloud in order for their Approbation previous to the Subscription. This will be evident, if we consider the Corrections themselves.

Those in Art. 19. Numb. 2. Art. 25. Numb. 21. Art. 26. Numb. 19. Art. 27. Numb. 6. were abso-

lutely necessary to make the Latin true.

Those in Art. 2. Numb. 24, 27. were occasion'd by a manifest Defect of a Nominative Case after the Verb effet. It could not be doubted, what fort of Word the Context required; and accordingly facrificium was written at the end of the Article, which made the Sense complete. But it being obferv'd, from the Correction at the end of the Book, that the Word was originally hostia, and in what place it ought to be inserted; sacrificium was struck out at the end, and hoftia restor'd to that place, which

was originally intended for it.

Those in Art. 9. Numb. 24. Art. 21. Numb. 9. Art. 23. Numb. 2. were made, the first to express the Sense more fully by rendring both the Greek Words in Latin; the second to make the Expression more natural by the Change of the Number; the third to prevent any Mistake by the use of an Abbreviation. That those in Art. 9. Numb. 24. and Art. 21. Numb. 9. were resolv'd on in the Convocation of 1562, does not appear. See Chap. 14. p. 237, 238.

That in Art. 6. Numb. 23. was evidently made to restore the true Order of the Books of the Old Testament, which is inverted in Wolf's Edition, probably by a Mistake of the Press, or of him that

transcribed a Copy for the Printer's Use.

CHAP. XXI.

The Differences between the Latin and English Editions printed before, and in, the Tear 1571; and the Agreements or Disagreements of the Bennet College English MS. of the same Year, with the respective English Editions.

Must now proceed to give an account of the Revising of the Articles in the Year 1571. In order to it, 'tis necessary for me to exibit the Differences between the Latin and English Editions printed before, and in, that Year; and also to observe, when the Bennet College English MS. which was signed by Eleven Bishops on May 11. 1571, agrees with the old or new English Editions.

Now

Now those Differences which I at present take Notice of, are not in the bare placing of the same Words (of which there are only some few Instances, and those have been already noted in Chap. 1. p. 164.) but in the Words themselves. And of this kind there is a greater Variety, than perhaps the Reader would have expected. For,

I. There is a difference in the general Titles, both Latin and English. This may best be seen in the Collation, and needs not to be repeated here.

II. There are differences in the particular Titles of many of the Articles, sometimes in one, at other times in both Languages. This appears by the following Table.

ART. 2.

esse factum.

Wolf. Verbum dei ve- Octavo Copies. word or Son MS. of 1571.

Day. De Verbo five fitio Dei, qui verus homo factus eft.

Quarto Copies. Of the word or Son of God, which was made very man.

ART. 4.

W. Resurrectio Christi. D. De Resurrectione Christi.

8vo.? Of the Resurrection of Christ.

ART. 6.

W. Diving scripturg do- 8vo.) The Doctrine of Arina sufficit ad salutem.

holy Scripture is fufficient to Sal-vation.

D. De divinis scripturis, 4to. Of the sufficiency quod sufficient ad of the holy Scrifalutem.

ptures for Salvation.

W. S De veteri Testa- 8vo. Touching
MS.'twas writ
Touching,
but correctment. ed Of ato. Of

ART. 8.

W. Symbola tria,

8vo. 3 The three Creeds.

D. De tribus Symbolis. 4to. Of the three Creeds.

ART. 9.

D. De Peccato originali. MS.

W. Peccatum originale. 8vo.? Of original or birth Sin. 4to. -

ART. 13.

W. Opera ante Justifica- 8vo. 7 Works before Jutionem.

MS. S stification.

D. De operibus ante Ju- 4to. Of Works before Justificationem.

flification.

ART. 14.

W. Opera Supererogati- 8vo. 7 Works of Super-onis. MS. 5 erogation.

D. De operibus supero- 4to. Of Works of Supergationis, erogation.

A R T. 15.

W. Nemo præter Chri- 8vo.7 No Man is with-MS. Sout Sin, but Christ alone. stum fine peccato.

D. De Christo, qui solus 4to. Of Christ alone est fine peccato. without Sin.

ART. 16.

W. De lapsis post baptis- 8vo. 7 Of Sin after Bapmum. D. De peccato post bap- 4to.

tilmum.

A R T. 18.

W. Tantum in Nomine 8vo. We must trust to Christi speranda est æterna salus.

obtainEternalSalvation only by the MS.) Name of Christ.

falute tantum in nomine Christi.

D. De speranda æterna 4to. Of obtaining Eternal Salvation only by the Name of Christ.

ART. 23.

W. Nemo in Ecclesia mi- 8vo. No Man may minister in the Connistret, nisi vocatus. gregation, except MS.) he be called.

D. De vocatione mini- 4to. Of ministring in the Congregation. strorum.

ART. 24.

W. Agendum est in Ecclesia lingua quæ sit populo nota.

8vo. Men must speak in theCongregation in fuch Tongue as the People understandeth.

D. De

Only remember, that B. reads fuch a Tongue.

D. De precibus publicis dicendis in Lingua Vulgari.

4to. Of speaking in the Congregation in fuch a Tongue as the People understandeth.

ART. 26.

W. Ministrorum malitia non tollit efficaciam institutionum divinarum.

8vo. 7 The Wickedness of theMinistersdorh not take away the effectual Operation of God's Or-

MS. i dinances.

D. De vi institutionum divinarum, quod eam non tollat malitia ministrorum.

4to. Of the unworthiness of the Ministers. which hinder not the Effect of the Sacraments.

ART. 29.

Both the Title and the Body of it are omitted in Wolf. and the 8vo English Editions; but they are inserted in D. MS. and the 4to English Editions.

> MS. The wicked do not eat the Body of Christ in the use of the Lord's Supper.

Of the Wicked, which do not ear the Body of Christ in the use of the Lord's Supper.

IJ ART. 33.

ART. 33.

W. Excommunicati vitandi funt.

8vo. Excommunicate
Persons are to be
avoided.

D. De Excommunicatis 4to. Of Excommunicate Persons, how they are to be avoided.

ART. 34.

W. Traditiones Ecclesiaflicæ.

D. De Traditionibus Ecclesia de Church.

Clesiaficis.

ART. 35, 36.

The Titles are wholly omitted in W. as also in the 8vo Copies; but in D. and the 4to English ones, they stand thus; viz. for the

25th.

De Homiliis.

36th.

De Episcoporum & Ministrorum consecratione.

Of Homilies.

Of Confectation of Bishops and Ministers.

In MS. the Title of the 35th Article is wanting; but that of the 36th is written over head in such a manner, as shews that it had been omitted.

A R T. 37.

W. De civilibus MagiD. Stratibus.

8vo and Copy I.

Copy I.

MS. and Of Of Civil Magiother4to's. Sthe

ART. 38.

ART. 28.

W. Christianorum bona 8vo. 7 Christian Mens non funt Communia.

communicatione.

Goods are not common.

D. De illicita bonorum 4to. Of Christian Mens Goods, which are not common.

ART. 39.

W. Licet Christianis ju- 8vo. > Christian Men may take an rare. Oath.

D. De Jure jurando.

4to. Of a Christian Mans Oath.

III. There are Differences in the Bodies of feveral Articles, sometimes in one, at other times in both Languages. These I shall distinguish by Numbers in the following Table.

ART. I.

No.1. Wolf. 7 verus Deus, Octavo Copies. 7 true God, and he Day. 3 æternus. MS. of 1571.) lafting.

> Quarto Copies. true God. everlasting.

ART. 2.

2. W. hostia, non tan-8vo. Sacrifice for all Sin, tum pro culpa both original and originis, verum actual. MS. Sacrifice, not only etiam pro omni-(for original Guilt, bus actualibus but also for all ahominum pecca-

4to.) EtualSins of Men. ART. S. ART. S.

3. W. 3 essentiæ.

8vo. Essence.
MS. Substance.

ART. 6.

4. W. 7 aut ad falutis neceffitatem requip. ri putetur. A. or be thought requisite as necessary to Salvation.

B. or be thought requisite necessary

 $S \cdot W \cdot$ Nomine.

8vo. By the naming of.
MS. In the name of.

4to. 3 to Salvation.

6. W. Catalogus.

8vo.7 The names and MS.3 number.

D. De nominibus & numero.

4to. Of the names and number.

7. W. Ruth.

2. Regum.
Paralipom. 2.
2. Samuelis.
Efdræ 2.
Hefter.
Job.
Pfalmi.
Proverbia.
Ecclefiaftes.
Cantica.
Prophetæ majores.
Prophetæ minores.

8vo. Ruth.

2. Samuel. 2. Kings.

2. Chronicles.

2. Esdre. Hester. Iob.

Pfalms.
Proverbs.

Ecclef. or preacher. Cantica, or fong of

Solomon.

4. Prophets the greater.

12. Prophets the less. D. Ruth. D. Ruth.

Prior liber Samuelis.

Secundus lib. Samuelis.

Prior liber Regum. Secundus liber Re-

gum.

Prior liber Parali-

pom.

Secundus liber Pa-

ralipomen. Primus liber Es-

dræ.

Secundus liber Es-

dræ.

Liber Hester.

Liber Job.

Pfalmi.

Proverbia.

Ecclesiastes, concionator.

Cantica Salomo-

nis.

4. Prophetæ majo-

res.

12. Prophetæ mi-

nores.

4to. 7 Ruth. MS. 5 The 1. Book of Sa-

The 2. Book of Sa-

muel.

The r. Book of

Kings.

The 2. Book of

Kings.

The r. Book of

Chronicles.

The 2. Book of

Chronicles.

The r. Book of Es-

dras.

The 2. Book of Es-

dras.

The Book of Hester.

The Book of Job.

The Pfalms.

The Proverbs.

Ecclesiastes, or

preacher.

Cantica, or fongs of

Solomon.

4. Prophets the

greater.

12. Prophets the

less.

8.W.7 Alios autem li-D. 3 bros.

8vo. As for the other MS. And books.

9. W.7 ad exempla vitæ, D. Se formandos mo8vo. for Example, and for good Instruction of Living. MS. for Example of Life, and Instruction of Man-

ners.

10. W. atius & atus Esdræ. Sapientia. Jesus filius Syrach. Tobias. Iudith. Libri Machabæo-

rum 2.

8vo. 3 and 4 of Eldras.

D. Tertius Liber Esdræ. Quartus Liber Eldræ. Liber Tobiæ. Liber Judith. Reliquum Libri Heffer.

The book of Wifdom. Jesus the son of Syrach. Judith. Tobias. Machabees 2.

Liber sapientiæ. Liber Jesu filii Sirach. Baruch Propheta. Canticum trium puerorum. Historia Susannæ.

dras. The 4th Book of Esdras. The Book of Tobi-

4to. The 3d Book of Es-

De Bel & Dracone. Oratio Manasses.

The Book of Judith. The rest of the book of Hester. The book of Wif-

Prior Liber Machabæorum.

dom. Jefus the Son of Sirach.

Secundus Liber Machabæorum.

Baruch the Propher: Song of the 3. Children.

The Story of Sufanna.

Of

Of Bel and the Dragon. The Prayer of Manasses. The I. Book of Machabees. The 2. Book of Machabees.

MS. agrees with the 4to Editions, Save that the Words the prophet are omitted after Baruch, and the Word

the is inserted before Song.

Note also, that in MS. it had been written the first and the second (Book of Esdras) but the Words first and second are fruck through, and the Words third and fourth are written over them.

ART. 7.

II. W.) tam in [quam veteri novo. (testa-mento) under- quam in D. J (tood) L novo.

8vo. 7 both in the old and new Testa-MS. 5 ments.

4to. both in the old and new Testament.

12. W. 7a Deo data per D. 5 Mosen.

8vo. given by Moses. MS.7 given from God 4to. 3 by Moses.

ART. 8.

13. W. Apostoli- (Symbolum MS.) Apostles Crede.

D. Apostolo- munder- sum MS. Apostles Crede.

ART. 9.

14 W ab originali juflitia quam lon-D. gissime dister. 8vo. far gon from his former righteoufness, which he had at his Creation.

MS. far gon from original Righteoufness.

4to. The same, only insert his.

D. propendeat.

MS. given to.

D concupifcat.

8vo. defireth.

MS. } lufteth.

17. W renatis.

8vo are baptized.

MS. be be regenerated.

4to. are 3regenerated.

18 W. studium.

D. studium carnis.

MS. Edesire of the flesh.

ART. 10.

D. Spera, qua fint.

Deo grata funt.

MS. works pleasant and acceptable to God.

D. Scooperante.

ART. 13.

ART. II.

21. W. 3 eft.

8vo. it is.

MS. It had been written it is, but it is struck out again.

4to. is.

22. W. 3 plenissima.

8vo. full. MS. 3very full.

23. W. Deo.

8vo. 3to God.

MS. it bad been written unto God; but the Syllable un is fruck out again.

ART. 13.

24. W. Immo cum.

8vo. But because. MS.7 Yea rather for Ato. 5 that.

25. W.7 habere non du-D.5 bitamus.

A. Swe doubt not but MS. Sthey have. B, the same, only read that they.

ART. 14.

26. W. 3 præcepta sunt 8vo. are commanded. D. S vobis.

MS. 7 are commanded to 4to. 5 you.

A R T. 15.

ART. 15.

27. W.] semel factam.

8vo. made once forever.

MS. 3 once made.

28.W.3 fed nos reliqui, e-D.5 tiam baptizati. 8vo. but we the rest, altho we be baptized.

MS. but we the reft, altho baptized.

4to. but all we the rest, altho baptized.

Note, that in MS. the Word all had been written also before baptized, but 'tis blotted out again.

29. W.3 tamen offendi- 8vo. yet we MS. yet we

8vo. yet we MS. yet we all soffend.

ART. 16.

Non omne peccatum mortale post baptismum voluntarie perpetratum est.

8vo. Every deadly fin willingly committed after baptism is not.

MS. Not every deadly fin willingly committed after baptism is.

gr.W.7 locus poeniten-D.5 tiæ.

8vo. 3 place for peni-MS. 3 tence.

4to. grant of repentance.

32. W. pænitentiæ.

.7.

MS. Storgiveness.

Chap. XXI. Thirty nine Articles.

29 I

33. W.? resipiscentibus.

8vo. repent, and amend their lives. MS. 3 repent.

ART. 17.

34. W. fuo confilio, no-bis quidem oc-culto, confian-ter decrevit.

8vo. constantly decreed. MS. conftantly decre-ed, by his Coun-4to. fel fecret to us.

35.W. Za maledicto.

MS. from Curfe. B. from the Curfe.

36. D. Unde qui tam præclaro Dei beneficio funt donati.

W. reads the same, only omitting Dei.

8vo. Whereupon fuch as have fo excellent a Benefit of God given unto them.

MS. Wherefore they which be indued with so excellent 4to.) a Benefit of God.

27. W. unigeniti. D. unigeniti ejus.

840.7 MS. his only begotten. 4to.)

ART. 18.

thematizandi.

38. D. Sunt et illi ana- 8vo. They also are to be had accurfed and abhorred.

omit et.

W, reads the same, only MS. They also are to 4to. 5 be had accurfed.

8vo. that law. 29. W. 7 illam (legem un-D. S derstood) MS. the law.

ART. 19.

40. W. ? erravit.

8vo. have 7 MS. 3 hath Serred.

D. S funt.

41.W.3 quæ credenda 8vo. mattersof their faith. MS. 3 matters of faith.

ART. 20.

The famous Controverted Clause of this Article I take no notice of at present.

42. W. verbo Dei scripto. D. verbo Dei.

8vo.7 MS. Gods wordwritten. 4to. 3

42. W. nec. D. neque. 8vo.7 MS. neither. 4to. -

ART. 21.

AA. W. verbis. D. verbo. 8vo.7 MS. \word. Ato. 3

45. W. / quæ ad normam D. pietatis pertinent.

A. 7 things pertaining unto God. B. the same, only read to for unto.

46. W. Ideo.
D. Ideoque.

MS. Wherefore.

ART. 22.

47. W.7 conficta.

8vo feigned.
MS. invented.

ART. 24.

48. W. verbo Dei.
D. verbo Dei, & primitivæ ecclesiæ
consuetudini.

MS. the word of God, and the Custom of the primitive 4to.

ART. 25.

49. W. O notæ.

8vo. badges and tokens.
MS. badges or tokens.

50. W. in nobis. D. in nos.

8vo. 7 MS. Sin us.

51. W.? unctio.

MS. 3 annoyling.

52. W. quomodo nec pœnitentia. D. omitted.

8vo. in which fort neither is penaunce.

MS.?

4to. Somitted.

53. W. Zeffectum.

8vo effect and operation. MS.7 effect or operati-

ART. 26.

 $54. \frac{W}{D}$? nomine.

8vo.7 MS. >name. 4to. -

> But remember, that the Word nature was written in this place; tho''twas blotted out again (I presume) before the Word name was written.

fed Christi no-mine agant, e-jusque mandato & authoritate ministrent.

8vo. 7 but do minister by Christs commission and authority. Ato. but in Christ's (name understood) and do minister by his commisfion and authority.

56.W.7 institutorum D.5 Christi.

A. God's ordinances. B. God's ordinance. MS. 3 Christ's ordinance.

57. W.? percipiunt.

8vo. 3 receive. 4to. do receive.

58. W. 3 malos ministros.

8vo. fuch. MS.? evill ministers.

ART. 27.

59. W. fed etiam est signary and seal of our new birth.

MS. 7 but is also a sign of regeneration or new birth.

Remember, that in MS. it had been written it is; but the Word it is blotted out.

60. W. 7 atque (de under-frood) adoptione D. 5 nostra.

8vo. and our adop-MS. and of our tion.

ART. 28.

61. W.7 communicatio. 8vo communion. D.S (twice)

MS. 'twas writ communion, but cor- > (twice) rected partaking. 4to. partaking.

62.W. 7 Panis & vini tran-D. fubstantiatio.

8vo.7 Transubstantiation, or the change of the substance of bread and wine into the fubstance of Christs body MS. j and blood.

4to. Transubstantiation. or the change of the substance of bread and wine.

63: W. evertit.

8vo. perverteth.
MS. overthroweth.

64. W.7 tantum cœlesti & spirituali ratione.

8vo. after an heavenly and spiritual manner only.

MS. 2 only after an heavenly and fpiritual manner.

Remember, that only was here written again, but 'tis fruck out. MS.

65. W. 3 Autem.

8vo. But.
MS. But.

66. W. 3 nec.

8vo. or. MS. 3 nor.

ART. 29.

67.W. 'tis wanting.
D. 'tis expressed.

8vo.'tis wanting.
MS.7'tis expressed in the ve4to. Sry sameWords in both.

That marginal Reference in this Article which is peculiar to the Copy E, I shall remind the Reader of in due time.

ART. 31.

68. W. femel facta.

8vo. once made for ever.

MS. once made.

69. W. 3 propitiatio.

8vo. pacifying of Gods displeasure.

MS. 3 propitiation.

70. W. blasphema.

MS. forged.

ART. 33.

71.W. \ excommunicatus.

8vo. 3 excommunicate.

4to. excommunicated.

ART. 34.

72. W. 3 probatæ.

8vo. } approved.

MS. appointed.

73. W.? D. 5 ut qui. 8vo. 3 as one that 4to. as he that.

ART. 35.

74. W fingulos titulos.

8vo. 3 the titles.

4to. the several titles.

75. W.? continet.

8vo. 3do 3contain.

X

76.IV.

76. W. his temporibus.

prior tomus homiliarum, quæ editæ funt tempore Edwardi fexti: Itaque eas in Ecclefiis per ministros diligenter & clare, ut a populo intelligi possint, recitangudas esse judicamus. W. das esse judicavimus. D.

8vo. 3this time. 4to. these times.

8vo. the former Book, which was fetforth at London under Edward the fixth, and therefore are to be read in our Churches by the Ministers diligently, plainly, and distinctly, that they may be understanded of the people.

MS. the former book, which was set forth in the time of Edward the fixth, and therefore are to be read in our Churches by the ministers diligently, plainly, and diftinctly, that they may be underfitanded of the

People.

4to. the former book of homilies, which

were set forth in the time of Edward the fixth: and therefore we judge them to be read in Churches by the ministers diligently and distinctly, that they may be understanded of the People.

78. W. Catalogus.

D. De nominibus.

8vo. 3 The names.

4to. Of the names.

79. W. De otio seu socordia.

De pœnitentia.

D. Of repentance.

Against idleness.

Against rebellion.

8vo. Against idleness. Of repentance.

MS. Of repentance.
Against idleness.
4to. Against rebellion.
Note, That in MS. the Title of the last Homily is squeezed in, as I observed in the Collation, p. 135.

ART. 36.

80. W. Edwardi fexti.

8vo. 7 of the most noble

King Edward the
MS. fixth.
4to. of Edward the fixth.

81.W.7 prædicti.

8vo. MS. 2aforenamed. 4to.

But remember, that in MS. it was written a-foresaid; but the Syllable said is blotted out, and named is written over head.

82. W. rite, ordine. 8vo. 2 D. rite, atque ordine. MS. 2

MS. rightly, orderly.

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ART. 27.

83. W. jure fum-mam habet. MS. Shath the chief. D. fummam

84. W. five non.

8vo. 3 or not. 4to. or civil.

D. five civiles.

 $85. \frac{W}{D}$ five civiles. 8vo. or no. MS. For temporal.

86. W. Leges { civiles. regni.

8vo. The civil Laws. MS.7 The Laws of the 4to. S Realm.

ART. 38.

87. W.7 pauperibus elec-mofynas beni-gne distribuere.

8vo. liberally to give alms according to his ability.

MS. liberally to give alms to the poor according to his ability.

ART. 39.

88. W. Christian 7 religio- MS. Christian religion. D. Christi- (nem. 4to.) anorum

IV. There are Differences occasion'd by Mistakes of the Press.

In the Latin Text.

ART. 9.

Wolf. Græce.

Day. Greci.

ART. 12.

W. expiari.

D. expiare.

ART. IS.

W. esset is inserted. D. esset is omitted.

That Esset ought to have been inserted, is manifest from the MS. of 1562, and also from that MS. by which Bod. 2. was corrected, and from the English Translation, whether in 8vo or 4to. And I have accordingly found it in some of Day's Copies. 'Twas therefore omitted by Mistake at first (particularly in that Copy, which the Latin Text expresses in the Collation) and afterwards'twas inserted whilf the Sheet was working off.

ART. 17.

W. diserte.

D. deserte.

ART. 19.

W. Ecclesiæ.

D. Ecclesia.

W. exiguntur.

D. exigantur.

The Translation proves Day's Mistake.

ART. 23.

W. cooptati.

D. coaptati.

ART. 25.

W. patim.

D. partim.

W. institutam.

D. institutum:

W. habeat.

D. habeant.

ART. 26.

W. fint.

D. funt.

It must be sint to agree with præsint, in which both Wolf and Day agree. Otherwise 'twould be uncertain; for quanquam (which is of the same Nature with quamvis) is used indifferently in our Articles with an Indicative or Subjunctive Mood. Thus in the Ninth Article 'tis astringat, and in the Twelsth' tis possunt.

W. pertinent.

D. pertinet.

ART. 27.

W. susspitientes.

1.1

D. suscipientes.

A R T. 28.

W. elevabatur.

D. elevebatur.

In the English Text.

A R T. 15.

clearey in some Quarto Copies instead of clearly.

A R T. 17.

do for to in the Copy H. in Numb. 27.

ART. 23.

Some Words are transpos'd into Nonsense in L (if that Copy ought to be reckoned amongst those of 1571) at Numb. 19. And the Copy I reads in for into at [*].

ART. 34.

Some Quarto Copies read and instead of or, the Latin is five.

The bare Inspection of the several Places (especially if the Latin and English Texts be compared, and the little Notes I have sometimes added, be considered) will convince any Man, that in all the foregoing Instances (to which I could have added some others) the Difference is occasion'd by a Mistake of the Pres, either in Wolf's or Day's Edition.

C H A P. XXII.

That the Latin Text of the Articles was revised, and an authentic English Translation of them was passed, by the Convocation of 1571.

THAT the Latin Text of the Articles was revised, and an authentic English Translation of them was passed, by the Convocation of 1571, has been generally taken for granted. But good Proof of these Matters may be justly expected, because they are of great Importance. Now tho' the Records of this Convocation are lost, yet the Tables exhibited in the preceding Chapter afford us substantial Proof; and do also in a good measure discover the gradual Progress of the Convocation therein.

To make this evident, I shall distinctly consider

the Latin and English Texts.

That the Convocation did not, before this Year, prepare or pass any English Translation of the Articles agreed on in 1562, appears from what I have already written. But the Bennet College English MS. signed by Eleven Bishops on the 11th of May in this Year, shews that an English Translation had been under their Consideration. And that it was afterwards sinished by them, and also printed, and that it is the same with the Quarto Editions of this Year, I shall evince in the following Manner.

It must be observed, that the Two English Copies A and B, which were printed before 1571, do exactly agree with each other in Words (for I take no notice at present of different Spellings and Pointings, which depend upon the Fansy or Oversight of him that corrects the Press) except in

Five

Five Instances, viz. Numb. 4, 25, 35, 45, 56, of the Third Table exhibited in the 21st Chapter, p. 284, &c. And every one of those Instances are fuch arrant Trifles, as might be occasioned by mere Chance. And therefore, I think, there is in Reality no Difference between those Two Editions: no fuch Difference I mean, as necessarily implies, that the Translation was purposely and defignedly altered by the Author, or any other Person, in any one of those Particulars. However, because possibly some Persons may be inclined to think, that fome one, or more, or perhaps every one, of the foregoing Inflances, might really be intended by the Author or Corrector of that Translation; therefore at present I shall affirm no more, than what no Man that has Eyes and Honesty can deny. viz. That A and B are undoubtedly the very fame Translation, except in the Five Instances abovementioned.

Now tho' the aforesaid Translation was made by a private Hand; yet, when the Convocation undertook to make an authentic Translation, they began upon the Groundwork of the Old one (viz. that of the Copies A and B) correcting it in various Places, and afterwards getting it transcribed, that it

might pass by Subscription.

"Tis impossible for any Man to doubt of this, who considers the notorious Agreement between the Octavo Copies and the Bennet College English MS. in the most minute Trisses throughout, excepting only some Instances, which I shall presently take farther Notice of, and which are comparatively speaking wonderfully sew. Insomuch that I dare affirm, that no Two Men in the World cou'd separatly translate the said Articles, without making Ten times (I should rather

lay,

fay, an hundred times) greater Difference in their respective Versions, than can be pretended between the Ostavo_Editions, and the English MS.

And whereas the Copies A and B differ from each other in Five Instances, the MS. evidently agrees with A, in opposition to B, in the Four first of them; and as for the Fifth, viz. Numb. 36. 'tis a mere trisle. I conclude therefore, that the Bennet College English MS. of 1571, is a Correction of the old Translation, of which we have Two Editions now extant in Octavo, and particularly, that it was made upon that very Edition

of the Copy A.

But then, as the Collation and the Tables in the preceding Chapter shew, several Corrections appear in the MS. it felf, viz. in the Title of the Seventh Article, in the Second Table, p. 279. and in Numb. 10, 21, 23, 28, 54, 59, 61, 64, 79, 81, of the Third Table, p. 287, 6c. which Corrections are in all no less than Eleven. Now it can't be doubted, but that Four of these, viz. Numb. 10, 28, 54, 64, were Mistakes of the Transcriber, which he took care to reaify in Conformity to the Copy set him. To which, I think, Numb. 23, 81, must be added. For he had manifestly varied from the old Translation: and the Corrections do only restore the old Readings. As for the rest, viz. that in the Title of the Seventh Article, and Numb. 21, 59, 61, 79, of the aforesaid Third Table, the Four first of them are manifestly design'd Variations from the Old Translation, and the Fifth is manifestly an Additton to it (the Homily against Rebellion not having been published, when that Tranflation was made) and they were all of them most probably entred in the Copy, either before 'twas Subscribed on the 11th of May, or else afterwards

by the joint Consent of the Subscribers.

It must also be observed, that in Wolf's Edition, from whence the Old Translation seems to have been principally made, both the Title and the Body of the Twenty ninth Article, and the Titles of the Thirty fifth and Thirty fixth Articles, are wanting; and accordingly they are wanting in the Old Translation. But in the MS. of 1571, the Title and the Body of the Twenty ninth Article are added, conformably to the Bennet College Latin MS. of 1562. And tho' the Titles of the Thirty fifth and Thirty fixth Articles were both of them omitted in the English MS. yet the latter was added afterwards. See the Collation and the Tables.

Wherefore I conclude, that, who foever corrected the Old Translation (which was probably done by, or under the Direction of, A. Bp. Parker) not only made some few Additions (for both the Title and the Body of the Twenty ninth Article are inferted, the Title of the Homily against Rebellion is subjoined to the rest in the Thirty fifth Article, and the Title of the Thirty fixth Article is written overhead) but also transposed the Words for w in the Third Article (as appears by the Collation, and in p. 164.) and corrected the Title of the Seventh Article (as appears in p. 279.) and also corrected the Bodies of diverse other Articles. For the English MS. differs from the Old Translation in Numb. 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 24, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 33, 34, 36, 38, 39, 40, 41, 47, 48, 49, 52, 53, 56, 58, 59, 60, 61, 63, 64, 67, 68, 69, 72, 77, 79, 85, 86, 87. To which I must add, that he corrected also the Title of the Thirty seventh Article.

Article. For that the Omission of the Word The (which furely ought to have been inferted in the Copy I, as well as in the other Quarto Copies of that Year) is a Fault of the Press, and consequently that the Infertion of it is a Correction of the Old Translation, can't be doubted. And thus Matters stood, with respect to the English Text of

the Articles, on the 11th of My 1571.

Now it must be observed, First, That when soever the English MS. of 1571, differs from the Old Translation, it constantly agrees with the printed Quarto Copies of the same Year; except in the Title of the Twenty ninth Article, and in Numb. 10, 14, 17, 28, 29, 39, 72, 77. Secondly, That the said MS. agrees with the said Octavo Copies in opposition to the Old Translation in the Quarto's, not only in the Titles of Article the 2d, 6th, 8th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 18th, 23d, 24th, 26th, 33d, 38th, 39th; but also in Numb. 1, 6, 11, 20, 31, 51, 55, 57, 62, 65, 70, 71, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 80, 84, of the so frequently mentioned Third Table of the Twenty first Chapter. Wherefore, since no Man in his Wits can conceive, that these Alterations, in which the Quarto's of this Year do so unanimously and exactly agree, in opposition to the old Tranflation in the Od we's, were made otherwise than by the Authority of that Convocation, which (as the MS. demonstrates) had already made so many others, which appear in the same printed Copies, and were never separatly published in any Edition whatsoever: I conclude, that after those Corrections of the old Translation were made, which actually appear in the MS, the Convocation proceeded to make diverse others: Part of which were intirely new, viz. those in the Titles of Art. 2, 6, 8, 13, 14, 15, 18, 23, 24, 26, 33, 35, 38, 39, and the before

fore mentioned Numb. 1, 6, 11, 20, 31, 51, 55, 57, 62, 65, 70, 71, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 80, 84; to which must be added the Transposition of tongue knowen in Numb. 66. of the Thirty sifth Article. Others, viz. Numb. 10, 14, 17, 28, 29, 77, of the aforesaid third Table, are only Improvements of diverse that had been already made. For in these Instances the MS. generally differs very little from the Quarto's, which I shall now begin to call the New Translation; and 'tis evident, that every one of them is a gradual Alteration from the reading of the Old, to that of the New Translation.

As for Numb. 39, 72, wherein the MS. equally differs from both Translations, which agree in Opposition to it; 'tis notorious, that the old Readings are restored, which had indeed been changed, but without the final Approbation of the Convocation.

I must add, that whereas in Numb. 4, of the third Table, the MS. agrees with A, in Opposition to B, the Case is manifestly this. The new Translation was grounded upon a Copy of the Edition A, and the Word as accordingly remained in the MS. on May 11th 1571, when that MS. was signed: but afterwards the Word as was designed yomitted, and thereby the Reading of the new Translation became the same, which was in B beforehand.

I proceed to the revisal of the Latin Text, wherein

Day differs from Wolf, in various Respects.

There is a manifest difference in the Titles of Art. 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 23, 24, 26, 33, 34, 38, 39; Besides that the Titles of the 29th, 35th, and 36th, are found in Day, but not in Wolf. That these Corrections were designedly made, appears at first sight from the Nature of them. And that they were also made by Authority of Convocation, is evident. For, first, it can't be

Chap. XXII. conceiv'd, that any private Person would dare to make so great a Variety of Corrections. Secondly. and chiefly, these Corrections are manifestly conformable to the Readings of the New Translation. which (as has been already shewn) was fetled by the Authority of Convocation. The Titles of Art. 4.9, 16, 24, are corrected, and that of Art. 26. is added, in a manner exactly answerable to the English MS. it felf, which Eleven Bishops subscrib'd. And in other Instances (except the 23d and 24th, of which I shall treat in the 25th Chapter) the Harmony between the Latin of Day and the New Tranflation, is notorious, and must needs have proceeded from the same Authors.

As for the Alterations in the Bodies of the Articles themselves, they may be found in Numb. 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 18, 19, 32, 36, 37, 38, 42, 43, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 67, 77, 78, 79, 82, 83, 84, 86, 88. Part of these may be attributed to Chance: but the

greater Number were undoubtedly defigned.

Those that were undoubtedly defigned, are Numb. 6, 7, 10, 18, 32, 36, 37, 38, 44, 48, 52, 67, 78, 79, 84, 86; of which no less than Twelve, viz. Numb. 7, 18, 32, 36, 37, 38, 44, 48, 52, 67, 79, 86, do exactly answer to what we find in that English MS. which was actually figned on the 11th of May; and they were therefore certainly refolv'd on by the same Persons. As for Numb. 10, the Latin exactly agrees with the English MS. except that nothing answerable to the Word propheta (after Baruch) is found in the MS. From whence it is evident, that this large Correction was refolv'd upon in Convocation, excepting only one Word; nor can we doubt, but that that one Word, and the three remaining Corrections, viz. Numb. 6,78,84, which appear in print in Company with, and never separate

from, the rest, were authenticly added.

Those which, I imagin, proceeded from Chance (by the Mistake of the Press, or of him that transcrib'd the Copy for it) are Numb. 11, 13, 19, 42, 42, 50, 77, 82, 83, 88; to which I may add Numb. 16. I believe there will be no doubt about five of them, viz. Numb. 11, 13, 19, 43, 88, especially if the English Translation be observed. As for the rest. in Numb. 42. the English shews, that scripto (which is found in the Bennet College MS. of 1562, and in Wolf's Edition) is faultily omitted. In Numb. 50, and 77. Wolf's Readings best sure the English. In Numb. 82, the Word atque is not rendred in the English; and it might easily be added between rite and ordine by the Copist, or the Compositor at the Press, by reason of it's coming regularly the very next Word after ordine. For how many Mistakes are occasioned by the Nearness of a Word, or it's Chiming in a Man's Ears? In Numb. 82, the English does not express jure (as neither is just a translated in the very same Article) but surely it might be dropt without Design. Touching Numb. 46, let others judge. The Addition of que was needless: but yet perhaps it might not be casual. And indeed, if the Reader shall chuse to attribute several of the other Instances to Design, rather than to Chance, I shall not be fond of contending.

To conclude this Point, the Corrections actually made and subscribed in the Bennet College English MS. of 1571; the rest that appear in company with them in all our printed English Copies of that Year; the sutable Alterations of the Latin to reduce it to an exact Conformity with the English; in a Word, the Harmony and Correspondence of the Text in both Languages, as it stands altered in the respe-

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ctive Editions of the same Year, when the Convocation notoriously began a Correction of the English; I say, these Particulars jointly considered, do undeniably evince, that as the Convocation actually began, fo they certainly carried on, and completed, their Corrections of the Text both English and Latin, and that the several Alterations which appear in Day's Latin (that Exception being now repeated which I made before in p. 210) and the new English Translation (excepting such as may justly be ascribed to Chance in either of them) are warranted by the Authority of Convocation.

As for the Reasons of the several Alterations, they generally prove themselves, if both Texts be compared together. It must be considered, that the Latin Text is the Original; and 'tis manifest, that the far greatest Part of the English Corrections were intended to make the new Translation express the Original more properly, more intelligibly to an ordinary Reader, or otherwise more sutably to the Mind of that Convocation (sometimes perhaps by caufing it to run more smoothly, or the like) than the old one did. In some Instances the Latin is altered in Conformity to those Readings which the new Translation took from the old, even when the old manifestly left that Latin Copy which it was made from. In other Instances the Latin and the English are altered both together, that they may jointly express the Church's Sense, in a more a-greeable Manner, or more fully, than before. Sometimes such Additions or Substractions, of Words or Things, are made, as were judged advisable. In Numb. 32. panitentia is changed into venia, because (tho' the Church's Design and Meaning are plain) a captious Person might pretend.

tend, that 'tis an Inconsistency in the very Terms, to speak of denying locum panitentia to such as did vere resipiscere. In Numb. 18, 36, 37, 38, Words are restored, where they had been either certainly, or very probably, dropt in Wolf's Edition, or at least were wanting to make the Sense full. In the Thirty fifth Article the Order of the Titles of the Nineteenth and Twentieth Homilies is inverted; because (I verily believe) they thinking that Idleness naturally leads to Rebellion, resolved, that the Homily against Idleness should immediatly precede that against Rebellion. But I need not enlarge upon such Matters, as are to every considering Person clear of themselves.

Touching the Numbers affixed to the Articles in the Margin of the English MS. the Collation shews, that they are very faulty; and 'tis remarkable, that the Form of Subscription reckons the whole Number of Articles to be but Thirty eight. From hence I conjecture, that they reckoned in the Form of Subscription by the Titles of the Articles (for the MS. wants that of the Thirty fifth) and. that the Marginal Numbers were affixed fince the Subscription by some careless Hand. But when they were printed, they were regularly numbred in the Editions both English and Latin, Errors of

the Press excepted.

I do not at present concern my self with the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article:

because I shall soon consider it distinctly.

As for the Time, when the Corrections were made in the Latin Text, it may partly be gueffed at from what has been faid with regard to the Progress of the new Translation. For I have shewn, how far the Bishops had gon in the said Tranflation by the 11th of May. Now it must be obser-

ved, that feveral Corrections of the Latin are exactly conformable to those which were by that Day made in the English. And if it may be prefumed (as furely it may very justly) that they bestowed their Pains on the Text in both Languages at once; then the Body of the Twenty ninth Article, and the Title of the Thirty fixth Article were actually added, and Numb. 7, 10, 48, 52, 79, 86, of the Third Table, were actually fixed, by the aforesaid 11th of May. And whereas diverse Changes in the Latin were manifestly made in conformity to the old English Translation, as it now appears corrected in the English MS. figned on that Day, even in some Particulars wherein that MS. varies, either from the Latin of the Bennet College MS. of 1562, or the Edition of Wolf, or from both; 'tis probable, that these Instances also were agreed on by the same Time. Of this Sort I esteem the Titles of Art. 4, 9, 16, 34; and Numb. 18 (for Carnis ought to be restored) 32 (panitentia being changed into veniæ for the Reason already given) . 36, 37 (for the Expression is rendred more full and exact) 38, 44 (where Day's Reading is by much the most natural) of the Third Table. The other Latin Corrections, I suppose, were made after the 11th of May, as the other English ones certainly were. But ris impossible to fix the Dates of either Sort.

However, I think it proper to observe, that the Corrections of the English, and consequently in all Probability of the Latin Text also, began in the Upper House; and from thence I conclude, that they were both of them carried on and finished there. Now we learn from (a) Dr. Heylyn's Abstract, that the 11th of May was the Sixth Session, and

⁽a) See Chap. 19. p. 262, 263.

that the 23d of the same Month was the Eighth. And consequently there was but one Session between the 11th and the 23d of May. Now the Dr. observes, that there was a Two Hours Conference in the Upper House on May the 23d: but he passes over the Seventh Session, as not worth any particular Notice. From whence I gather, that the Seventh Session was short, at least that nothing of Moment was then transacted; and that those Corrections of both Texts, which were not made on the 11th of May, were passed by the Bishops on the 23d, between which Time and May 30th, I presume, they were communicated to, and passed by, the Lower House. Because on that Day, as the Abstract shews, the Convocation was dissolved; and the Ratification expresly afferts, in both Languages, that the Articles were again subscribed

by both Houses of Convocation in 1571.

Whether the English Text, which had been subscribed by Eleven Bishops, as it stood on May 11th, was again subscribed by the Bishops after the Introduction of so many other Variations, may be questioned. I think, there was no Necessity of their repeating their Subscriptions, considering the Nature of the Variations themselves, and the Practice of Convocation in fuch Cases: and therefore I believe they did not. Nor do I think it was neceffary for them to subscribe the corrected Copy of the Latin Text. It seems sufficient, if the additional Alterations of that English Text, which had never received the Sanction of any former Convocation, and also those of that Latin Text which had been passed in 1562, received the Personal Approbation of the Bishops, and were accordingly entred into the Copy in their Presence, and with their Consent.

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As for the Archbishop and Bishops of the Province of York, tho' they subscribed the Latin Text that passed in 1562; yet, that they subscribed either the Latin or the English Text in this Year, does not feem probable, but rather the contrary. For the Ratification mentions the Subscription of only one Archbishop in 1571, which must needs have been Archbishop Parker of Canterbury: nor does it take any Notice of any Concurrence of the Archbishop and Bishops of the other Province, tho' the Title Pages of all the Editions of this very Year expresly observe, that the Articles were passed in 1562, by the Archbishops and Bishops of both the Provinces. Tho', by the way, 'tis somewhat odd, that the Archbishop and Bishops of the Northern Province shou'd not concern themselves in this Affair, fince they did actually concur in paffing the Canons of this very Year, as appears from the Original now extant in Bennet College Library, where the A. Bp. of York subscribed by his Proxy the A. Bp. of Canterbury, the Bp. of Durham by his Proxy the Bp. of Winchester, and the Bp. of Chester subscribed personally. See Chap. 24. p. 345.

That the Lower House of York Province did not fubscribe either Text this Year, will not be wondred at; fince I have already shewn, that they did not subscribe the Latin Text in 1562. See Ch.6. p.203, &c.

The Ratification expresly affirms, that the Articles were again allowed and approved by the Queen in this Year. Whether that Allowance and Approbation were more than barely verbal, I can't affirm. Most probably 'twas not. That they were not recorded again this Year in the Archbishop's Registry, either in Latin or English, I am fully persuaded; because neither Archbishop Laud's Officer (who furnished and attested the Paper printed at

large in the Second Chapter) nor Dr. Heylyn, nor any of their numerous Adversaries, observes any thing of that Nature, even when they had the fairest Occasions so to do,

CHAP. XXIII.

Of the English Editions of the Articles printed in 1571.

THE Convocation having perfected what they undertook with respect to the Text, both Latin and English, and the Queen having given her Royal Assent, the Articles were published in both Languages in the Year 1571, as the Latin Copy of Day, and Eight English ones, which are all of them exhibited in the Collation, do expressly testify. I shall therefore consider these Editions, beginning with the English.

In the first place I observe (and this Observation is of greater Importance, than the Reader perhaps will readily believe) that the Copies C, D, E, are of the very same Impression. This is evident from

the Workmanship, even to Demonstration.

For when a Book is reprinted, tho' the Compofitor follows a printed Copy, and fets Page for
Page, yet constant Experience proves, that he
will sometimes drive out, and at other times get
in, a Word or a Syllable in a Line, or perhaps a
Line in a Page. He will also very frequently, perhaps several times in a Line, in spight of all his
Care, set wider or closer than the Copy he follows. None that knows any thing of Printing, can
doubt of these Matters. Now in the Copies C,
D, E, the Distance between Words is exactly the
same throughout; nor is there one Letter driven
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out or got in, in any one Line of either the Title or the Body of any one Article from the first to the last.

Again, when a Book is reprinted, even tho' the. Compositor should be so exact, as to set not only Page for Page, but even Line for Line, and Space for Space, according to the printed Copy he follows (of which notwithstanding, I dare say, there. never was a fingle Instance in the whole World) yet no Man in his Wits will believe, that he can also fix the same blind or battered Letters, form! the very same Crookednesses in Lines or Words, make the very same Letters lean or stand disorderly, and fecure all other accidental Notices, whereby the Identity or Diversity of Impressions may be, and always is, discovered by such as are skilful in the practical and mechanical Part of Printing; I fay, no Mortal will believe, that a Compositor can fet so many Characteristics precisely in the very same Places, in which they stand in the printed Copy he follows. And yet in the Copies C, D, E, there is so vast a Variety of these Particulars, as can't perhaps be eafily marched in any other Book of so few Pages.

I shall by no means pretend to enumerate them all ('tis not worth my while to endevor it) but I will point at fo many, and those very commonly so minute (some of them bare Scratches of the Bodkin) as will (I am confident) abundantly satisfy the Reader.

I have taken notice before, in the Introduction, that the Title Page of each of these Copies, and the Blank on the Backfide of it, are accounted two; fo that the Articles begin on that which is numbred the third Page. Now in

Page 2. Line 2. there is a battered n in Trinitie.

15. battered e in Eternitie.

16. battered e in Sonne.

p. 4. 1. 15. battered &.

18. near the End it is crooked.

p. 5. l. 13. battered f.

24. i without a Point on the Top.

p. 6. 1. 6. battered f, and b with a short Top.

7. f without a middle Stroke. 8. k with a short Top.

11. battered M.

p. 7. 1. 10. battered s.

p. 8. 1. 5. the Word sensualitie is crooked.

12. crooked.

p. 9. 1.5. the full Point below Line.

22. battered b.

p. 10. l. 4. crooked.

15. clearey for clearly.

p. 11.1.10. comdemned.

p. 12. l. 4. full Point above Line.

p. 13.1.21. battered &.

p. 14. l. 7. full Point above Line.

p. 15. l. 3. a below Line in man.

13. battered t and n in tongue.

p. 16. l. 1. the End crooked. p. 17. l. 9. battered c.

21. battered a.

28. blind ∫.

p. 18. l. 16. battered d.

p. 19. l. 1. a Space appears after do. battered b.

2. two battered es.

12. battered e.

14. battered st.

18. battered C.

p. 20. the Beginnings of the Three first Lines rife.

1. 4. battered P. 9. battered l.

Y 4

p. 20.

p. 20. l. 24. battered t.

p. 21. l. 21. battered T.

24. battered e.

p. 22. the same Crookedness in the Line of initial Letters of the Titles of the Homilies.

1. 6. battered g.

14. i without its Point.

p. 23. 1. 13. battered st. p. 24. l. 14. blotted i.

23. battered C.

p. 25. Ratific. l. 1. battered A.

1. 2. battered e.

4, 5. ascent.

8. battered f.

Two fingle V's for a W.

9. battered A, w, d. 12. Two battered e.

Table, the same Crookedness of the Line of Os in each Page.

1. 1. battered f.

21. battered s.

Whosoever considers this Table, will, if he understands any thing of the Printers Trade, instantly own, that C, D, E, are of the same Impression.

There are Two Objections, I confess, against this my Assertion, to which, for the sake of such as are unacquainted with these Matters, I will beg

leave to return an Answer.

First, There are some small Diversities in these Three Copies. 1. In the Copy E (in the Word Trinitie in the Title of the First Article) the last e, and (in the Word man in the Title of the Eleventh Article) the Letter n, have not long Tails, as they have in C and D. 2. There is no sull Point at the End of the First Article in E. 3. The Two sirst

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Syllables of the Word followed (in the last Line fave one of the Seventeenth Article) lean backward in C and D, but not in E. 4. In the Title of the Thirty eighth Article f and t are distinct Letters in D and E, but they are expressed by a Ligature in C. s. In the Title of the Thirty ninth Article the Word Christian is fairly printed in C and D, with the Ligature & in the middle of it; but in E the first i is omitted, and instead of a Ligature f and t are distinct Letters. Perhaps there may be other Instances of the same trifling Nature. But one thing is very remarkable. There is in the Copy E. and in no other whatfoever, a Reference to St. Austin in the Margin of the Twenty ninth Article. Now from all these Particulars perhaps some Persons may suspect, that E is not of the same Im-

pression with C and D.

But I defire them to confider, that nothing is more common, than for Printers to unlock the Form, whilst an Impression is working off, to correct a Fault, to change a battered Letter, or the like. Thus might the full Point be added in the Close of the 1st Art. Thus might a Ligature be put in the Title of the 35th Article. Thus might e and " be changed in the Places abovefaid. For tho' they do not appear fuch in any of the Copies I used; yet doubtless in other Copies those Letters had been battered. With respect to the Word folowed, when a Form is unlocked upon the Press upon any Account, Lines or Letters are frequently disturbed thereby, and pass unregarded through an Impression. And as for the Reference to St. Austin in the Margin of the Twenty ninth Article, it might eafily be removed, tho' the whole Impression remained in all other Respects untouched, and the very same, even to a Line, a Word, a Letter, or the smallest Point.

I must add, that in those very Places, where these Diversities appear, there are also evident Proofs of the Identity of the Impression. Particularly, in the Word Trinitie in the Title of the first Article, tho' there is a difference in the e, yet the battered n is visible in all the Copies; and tho' the full Point is supply'd in C and D, which was wanting in E, yet the battered e in the Word Eternitie is manifest in every one of them. Again, tho' there is a difference in the n in the Word man, in the Title of the Eleventh Article, yet the Crookednesses in that very Page (viz. the Eighth) constantly appear; and 'tis observable, that in that very Line wherein the Word man stands, the Letters f and i are distinct in the Word justification; whereas they ought to have been, as they are elsewhere, in Letter of the same Fount (see the Title of the Sixth Article) expressed by a Ligature. And 'tis incredible, that any Compositor should chuse to copy a manifest Blemish, which is never suffer'd to stand, but when for some Reason it can't be avoided. Again, tho' some part of the Word followed happen'd to be dislocated, yet the full Point stands above Line in the fame (viz. the Twelfth) Page of the feveral Copies; the every body knows, 'tis false Workmanship, and therefore would not be copy'd. Again, in the Title of the Thirty eighth Article the blotted iremains in them all; as does also the battered C in the Title of the Thirty ninth, even in that very Word, wherein a Fault had been corrected, and two distinct Letters had also been exchanged for a Ligature. Now let any Man make the Experiment, and try if he can account for these notorious Instances, otherwise than as I have don.

Secondly, There is a greater Diversity with respect to the several Title Pages. For, 1. whereas

E reads agreed on, C and D read whereupon it was agreed. 2. In C and D these Words are inserted, viz. according to the Computation of the Church of England. The Word the also is inserted before Diversities in the same Copies. 3. The Garniture, Decoration, or Compartiment, which incloses the Titles of D and E, is different from that which incloses C, as I observed in the Introduction. 4. The Workmanship demonstrates, that (except the Words put foorth by the Queenes aucthoritie, which are in black Letter, and I am verily persuaded, were printed by the very same Letters, without ever having been new set, in every one of the Eight Copies printed this Year) the Title Page of each Copy is manifestly of a

different Composition.

But even these things can create no Difficulty to a Man that has been at all conversant in the Printer's Work. For, 1. 'tis usual to alter Expressions during the working of the Press; and this is as easily don in the Title, as in the Body of a Book: and the Two Instances before mentioned were undoubtedly Corrections made accordingly. 2. 'Tis notorious, that Printers do frequently use the same Decoration for different Books. Nay, I have feen each of those very Decorations, which inclose the Title of the Articles, round the Titles of several other Books of different Sorts, which were printed at the same Press. No wonder therefore, that that Compartiment which generally incloses the Title of the Articles (and which is much more beautiful than that which incloses the Title of C) being wanted for some other present Purpose, they took and imployed it, whilst the Impression of the Articles was suspended, and the Forms stood. But having a fudden Demand of more Copies of the Articles, even whilst the Cut which usually adorn-

ed the Title, was otherwise in Use; they wou'd naturally forbear taking out what was actually locked up in another Form (the Disturbance of which wou'd create them double Trouble, and oblige them to refit Two Titles at the same time) and make shift with a different and worse Inclofure for what Copies of the Articles they were then required to furnish. But the Matter of the Title (which now wanted its Inclosure) perhaps standing loofe in a Gally, and being by Accident broken. or else having been distributed for want of Letter. they were forced to compose the Title anew (except probably the Words put foorth, &c.) even whilst all the rest of the Text remained firm, and ready for the Pressmen upon the shortest Warning. This could not but be the Occasion of that manifest Difference between both the Compartiment and the Composition of the Title in C, and those of the other Copies; and also of the Difference between the Composition of the Titles of D and E. which have the very fame Compartiment. For when that Compartiment could conveniently be restored for the Title of the Articles, it being narrower than that in C, they were forc'd to fill it with a Title new composed. For 'twas not worth while to overrun that in C; or it may be, 'twas broken, or very probably 'twas distributed. And 'tis observable, that as the Title was fixed in D, it stands precisely the same in G, H, I, K.

Thus are both these Objections sully answered; tho' the Truth is, I should have been ashamed to bestow an Answer upon either of them, were it not plain, that sew Persons (even of those that write Books) give themselves the Trouble of making Observations by a Personal Attendance at the Press, which in a short time will shew even the

meanest Capacity, how Ten Thousand such Particulars may be occasioned and accounted for. Every Boy that has served a few Months at the Trade, will satisfy any of my Readers, and give him the most sensible ocular Demonstration, that the Instances I produced, are undeniable Proofs of the Identity of an Impression; and that such trisling Differences as I have been forced to spend a little Time on, may be found every day in such Books as would never bear a second Edition.

All therefore, that can rationally be deduced from the beforemention'd Diversities, is this (which I intreat the Reader to take due notice of, because I shall presently lay great Stress upon it) viz. that the Copy E was one of the very first that was wrought off, of this Impression. For let us observe the Progress from E to the other two, as these very

Diversities do point it out to us.

1. OneCorrection of Expression, and two Insertions of Words, are made in the Titles of C and D, which can't be found in E. Now 'tis exceedingly remarkable, that the 8vo Editions of the old Translation, the Bennet College English MS. and the Act of the 12th of Eliz. which passed this very Year, and obliges the Clergy to subscribe the Articles comprized in a certain Book, intituled Articles, &c. and then recites the Title at large, that none should mistake the book; all these, I say, exhibit the Title as it stands in C and D, viz. with that Correction of the Expression, and those Insertions of certain Words, which we find in C and D, but not in E. And must not every rational Man conclude from hence, that the Title of E was faulty, and that those Faults were afterwards amended? And confequently was not E prior to C and D? Whether the Faultiness of the Title of E was occasion'd by Design or Chance, I can't

can't positively affirm. It might be thought a Matter of no great Moment perhaps, and so was overlooked by him that prepared the Copy for the Press, or corrected the Proofs. The Reading in E might be thought more fmooth; and the Infertions needless; and the Title might possibly pass for these Reasons. But afterwards, when 'twas observed, that the Title therein deviated, not only from the 8vo Copies (which the Bennet College EnglishMS. followed; and from which alone 'twas possible for the Act of Parliament to write the Title, confidering when the Bill began, as will foon appear) but even from the express Letter of the Act, which so particularly describ'd the Book, that these Variations in the Title might feem to imply a different Book; 'twas thought absolutely necessary to conform the Title to the old Editions, and more especially to the A& at that Time newly passed, the Force of which might otherwise perhaps have been eluded by captious Persons, and the Exactness of the Legislature in reciting the whole Title, would have contributed to the frustrating of their prime De-

2. The full Point at the end of the first Article is wanting in E, but 'tis regularly added in C and D. And confequently this Fault was corrected after the Sheet in E was wrought off. For I defy any Man that inspects the Work, to say, that the full Point was either dropt out of Chace, or drawn by

the Ball.

2. The Reference to St. Austin in the Margin of the Twenty ninth Article is found in E, but not in C and D. Does not this demonstrate, that 'twas originally placed there, and removed afterwards? For would any Man in his Wits put it in, after the Impression of that Sheet began; and then take it

out again? That Sheet of E therefore, wherein 'tis found, was printed off before the same Sheet in C and D.

4. The false Printing in the Word Christian, in the Title of the Thirty ninth Article, which is found in E, is amended in C and D. This also shews, that the Sheet in E was wrought off before

those in the other two.

Now it must be observ'd, that the first and second of these Instances relate to the Sheet A, the third to the Sheet C, and the fourth to the half Sheet D; and they do respectively shew the Priority of their feveral Sheets in the Copy E to those in the Copies C and D. Nor have we any reason to doubt, but that the Sheet B is equally ancient in the faid Copy E. We have therefore fuch clear Indications, that the Copy E is prior to C and D, as can't be queftion'd. And I challenge any Man to give a tolerable Account of them upon any other Supposition he can possibly make. And indeed, had I obtained the Use of the Copy E, as early as I did that which my English Text expresses; and had it been possible for me to make these Observations and Inferences, before I had made my Collation; my English Text should have expressed the Copy E, which is perhaps the most ancient one now extant in the World. But the first Copy I got, with the Controverted Clause in it, was from my Lord of Sarum; and my References were afterwards made upon that Ground: and when this was actually don, I believe, no body who confiders the monstrous Drudgery of fuch Work, will think me either oblig'd or inclin'd to begin it anew, and alter the Form of the Whole from the one end to the other.

My next Observation is, that the Copies G and K are of the same Impression with each other, tho'

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different from that of C, D, E. That they are different from C, D, E (except that the Title Page is the same with that in D) is notorious at first fight. And that they are the same with each other, is equally plain. Those that understand my Reasonings under the former Observation, may, if they desire full Satisfaction, examin the Copies, and apply them here. 'Tis not worth while to blot this Paper with them.

As for the Copies H and I, they are partly the fame with, and partly different from, not only each other, but also G and K. But neither is this worth

a particular Proof.

I must now observe, that as E is prior to C and D, tho' of the very same Impression; so the Impresfion of C, D, E, is prior to the Impression of G and K. This none can doubt of, who considers, 1. that the Title Page (as I have already demonstrated) gradually proceeded (whilft the whole Text of the Book besides remain'd the very same) from what it is in E, to what it is in D, in which 'tis precifelythe same, and has the very same Marks of Identity, as in G, K, to the smallest Iota. 2. That the half Sheet D is the very same, not only in C, D, E, but also in G and K. For the same battered O in the Running Title of the Twenty fifth Page (which is D prima) the same Marks of Identity which I have already specify'd in the Ratification and Table, and the same Picture on the backfide of the last Leaf (which I described in the Introduction) appear in every one of them. The only Differences are, First, that the Word ascent in the Ratification in C, D, E, is corrected into Assent in G and K. Secondly, that the Words Imprinted, &c. with the Printers Names, the Date, &c. which

were printed by the very same Numerical Letters in C, D, E, are of a different Composition, or at least partly overrun, in G and K. Nor is this at all strange, considering, that the very same Form of Words would sure any English Book, that was printed at the Queen's Press, and might easily be removed for that Reason (whilst the Articles stood) and either be distributed with the rest of the Matter of that Form to which it was removed, or else be actually in use in another Form, when more of the half Sheet D were wanted. So that so small a Triste might well be composed anew, and inserted in the proper Place, as is very commonly done in

every Printing House.

Now no Man can be so absurd as to imagin, that the Queen's Printers, who so manifestly kept the Title Page and the half Sheet D standing, had the Leaves A 2, 3, 4, and the whole Sheets B and C, of quite different Compositions in Letter of the very same Body, and in all appearance of the very same Fount (for I am now speaking of the Black Letter only) in their House, and ready to work off, at the very same Time. For this could not be done to make greater Speed; since the same Title and half Sheet D did actually serve for both. However, if any Person should be so wild as to believe it, I will give him a short Demonstration of the Falshood of his Opinion, viz. that in p. 5 (which is A 3) l. 13, there is the very same battered f in the first Of; in p. 13 (which is B3) l. 21. there is the very same battered &; in p. 20 (which is the Backfide of C 2) l. 4. there is the very same battered P; in p. 22 (which is the backfide of C 3) there is the very same Table of the Titles of the Homilies (which makes almost the whole Page) with many Marks of Identity, which have been partly
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mention'd already, tho' the greater part I omitted for Brevity's fake; all these certain Characteristics. I fay, appear not only in C,D,E, but also in G, K. From whence it follows, as every Printer's Boy will tell him, that those Parcels of Matter are of the very same Composition in both Impressions. And consequently the one borrowed from the other; the Titles of the Particular Articles not being totally distributed. when the Second Edition was preparing. For 'tis observable, that none of these Marks are in the Bodies of the Articles, which are in Black Letter, according to the Use of those Times, and had been distributed accordingly. So that the Impression of C, D, E, and that of G, K, could not fland com-

posed at the same Time.

Well then; either C, D, E, must be of an Impression prior to that of G, K; or else G, K, must be of an Impression prior to that of C, D, E. Behold therefore, and judge. First, here is a gradual Progress of the Title Pages of C, D, E (Copies manifestly of the very same Impression) which fixes in that of D, and continues undoubtedly the fame, without the very smallest Alteration, in G and K. Must not C, D, E, be therefore of an Impression prior to G, K? Secondly, here is also an Indentity of the half Sheet D, only with Two Differences, viz. 1. A Fault is corrected in ascent. Was not the Fault therefore, which appears in C, D, E, prior to the Correction in G, K? And are not these Copies consequently, in which the Fault appears, prior to those in which 'tis corrected? 2. The Words Imprinted, &c. are of different Compositions, or at least partly overrun. They are the very same in C, D, E; and they are the very same in G, K. But might they not be new fer, or partly overrun, for G, K, as well as for C,

D, E? Wherefore, fince C, D, E; are of one Impression, and G, K, of another; and since both could not be equally early; therefore the Impressi-

on of C, D, E, is prior to that of G, K.

But it well deserves our Notice, that that Copy which my English Text expresses, is undoubtedly of the same Impression with C, D, E, in the Leaves A 2, 3, 4, and also in the whole Sheet B. This appears by applying my Arguments concerning the Identity of C, D, E, to the Copy now under Confideration. And the Title Page is precifely the same as in E. For the same battered o appears in Convocation, the same blotted o in God, the same batter'd e's in the and Diversities, the same batter'd fin for, the fame batter'd e in true, and the Word Aucthoritie rifes in the very fame manner. As rolthe Sheet C. 'tis notoriously the same as in G, K. To make this evident, 1. I observe that the Lines of the Aricles in G.K. begin with the same Words, as in C. D. E. throughout, except in the Sheet C. Wherefore let any Man compare the Beginnings of the two last Lines of the third Paragraph of the Twenty eighth Article, the last Line of the Thirty first Article, and the Beginnings of the two last Lines of the first Paragraph of the Thirty feventh Article. 2. In p. 18. the second Figure is above Line in the Number of the Twenty eighth Article, and in the last Line of the first Paragraph of the same Article, there is the fame gross Blunder of as for is; in p. 19. there is the same flat C in the Title of the Thirty first Article; and in p. 23. there is the same irregular rising of the three first Lines. And as to the half Sheet D, 'tis the same in this Copy as in G, K. For it agrees to a Tittle with it, even when it varies (in some very Trisles) from that half Sheet in other Copies. And particularly 'tis remarkable, Z 2 that that there is the very same batteted win Imprinted.

Here, because perhaps it may seem strange to some Persons, that a Sheet and half of one Impresfion should be joined to two Sheets of another Impression, to make one complete Book; I think it not amiss to advertise, that this is a very common thing. For when all the perfect Copies of an Impression are collated, small Numbers of particular Sheets will always remain, which the Printers call the Wast. For 'tis morally impossible (at least 'tis never found in Fact) that the Paper set out for each particular Sheet, especially of a large Impression (and fince the whole Body of the Clergy were to be furnished with English Copies in so short a Time, by the express Letter of the 13th of Eliz. doubtless the first English Impression of the Articles was great) should be so exactly adjusted, that their should be nothing over or under in any of them, but every Sheet should hold out precisely the very same Number. Wherefore, when a new Impression comes (such as that of G, K, unquestionably was in the very same Year) 'tis the Printers usual Method to perfect the Wast (especially if there be much of it) by laying a Quantity over; of such Sheets I mean, as were before wanting. And the Copy which my English Text expresses, is manifestly of that Nature.

My next Observation is, that G, K, are of an Impression prior to both H and I. It follows from what has been already said, that H and I must be later than C, D, E. Because the Title Page and the half Sheet D, are precisely the same in H and I, as they are in the Copy D, except those Particulars in the half Sheet D, which were before mentioned, to prove G, K, later than C, D, E, And

the Table of the Titles of the Homilies in the Thirty fifth Article, is precisely the same as in C. D.E. Wherefore I need not enlarge. And that H and I are later than G, K, appears from this single Confideration, viz. that the Wast of C, D, E, was perfected with some Addition from G, K; which must suppose, that G, K, were of the next Impresfion. For that H and I stood composed at the same Time with G, K, I hope, I may now pronounce to be a ridiculous, or rather impossible

Supposition.

My latt Observation is, That H is of an Impression prior to I. That H and I are of different Impressions, has been already observed. And that both Impressions could not stand composed at the same time, appears from the Marks of Identity in some Parts of each. Wherefore, that H is prior to I, appears from these Words, viz. Of the Names of the Homilies, in the Twenty fifth Article. For these Words are printed in Italic, and are of the very same Composition, having the very same remarkable battered f in Of, in all the Copies except I; in which they are printed in Roman, tho' the following Table is precifely the same in I, as in all the rest. And consequently those Words were composed anew for I, after those Letters that printed them in all the other Copies, were broken or distributed; altho' the Table it felf happened to remain untouch'd.

I am therefore morally certain that the Book of Articles was first set, as it appears in E; and that whilst that Impression was working off, some few Corrections were made, and the Reference to St. Austin in the Margin of the Twenty ninth Article was taken out, which makes the Text appear as in

C. D.off and

I am also fully perfuaded, that after a good Number of Copies had been printed, whilst the Forms of the feveral Sheets of the Articles stood in Expectation of a farther Demand, the Compartiment of the Title Page was wanted for fome other Book; and before 'twas replaced in A r. of the Articles, the Printers had a fudden Call, and were obliged to compose the Title of the Articles anew (the Matter of the former, for want of the Inclofure, being probably broken) and that the beforementioned Correction of an Expression, and the Insertions of some Words (those Faults being by this time observed, or the Reasons for those Alterations fully discovered) were then first made. which brought the Title to what it appears in the Copy C, of which Sort doubtless were all the Number then furnished. But afterwards, when the old Compartiment was at liberty, upon the first fresh Demand, they filled it with the Title, as it stood improved in C, newly composed. For it must be noted, that the Inside of the old Compartiment is so much narrower than that of C; that the Title was necessarily to be set again. And as 'twas then fet, it remained in the House, unrouched, no Piece of Work calling for the Compartiment, even till after the Black Letter of the Bodies of the Articles was all distributed, except those Four Lines and a half in the 25th Page, which is D 1, which being so small a Quantity stood lock'd up with the rest of that half Sheet.

Some while after a new Edition was refolved on. And accordingly they took the old Title Page and half Sheet D (only the Fault in afcent was at this time observed and amended, and they were forced to add the Words Imprinted; &c. of a new Compofition, they having been taken out of the Form for

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another Book, and probably distributed; or else 'twas less Labor to fet them again, than to unlock the Form and remove them) with the Table of the Titles of the Homilies, and such Parcels of the running and particular Titles as they found standing (for they were set in such Sorts of Letter as were less in Use) and thus they sent abroad G, K. At the same time they perfected the Wast of C, D, E, with the Sheets they wanted of this new Impression, one Copy of which is that which my English Text expresses in the Collation, of which the Sheet A was wrought off so early, that the Title

was not chang'd from what it was in E.

When G, K, was distributed, I meanthe Black Letter of it (except the Four Lines and half in C 1, for the Reason already given) finding Occasion for more Copies, they fent abroad fuch asH, and afterwards I, ufing the old Title Page, the half Sheet D, and fuch other little Parcels of old Matter as were standing, because they were made up of those Sorts of Letters which were not much in Request, at least not in common Use, and had not the hap to be broken. And 'tis exceedingly remarkable, that the very same battered n in Imprinted, which so plainly distinguishes it self in G, K (wherein that and the following Words were newly composed, as I have already shew'd) appears in H and I, which confirms what I have faid about the Order of the Impreffions.

How early in the Year the First of these Editions got abroad, viz. such Copies as C, D, E,

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will be shewn in the following Chapter.

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That those English Copies of the Articles printed in 1571, which have the Controverted Clause the Twentieth Article in them, are genuin; and that those which want it, are spurious.

ET us now consider, what was done by the Convocation of this Year, with respect to the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article.

I have already shewn, that this Clause was re-corded, and consequently was agreed to by the Convocation, in 1562. The only Question therefore is, whether 'twas also agreed on (for I have already shewn, that the Articles were not probably recorded again) in 1571.

Now the Records of this Convocation are lost; nor have we any one MS. Paper extant, that I know of, which reports this Matter. Much Strefs has indeed been laid on the Bennet College English MS: of this Year, which was subscribed by Eleven Bishops on the 11th of May. Tis true, this MS. has not the Clause: nor is it to be wondered at, confidering that it was grounded on the old unauthorized English Translation, in which the Clause was first omitted. But then, as the Authority of this MS. can't be pleaded for the Clause; so 'tis certain, that no Man who is tolerably acquainted with this MS. can plead its Authority against it. Because I have demonstrated, that after the rith of May, on which this MS. was signed, many Alterations were made in the Translation, which are not in this MS. And consequently this Controverted Clause might at the same time be restored to the Place which it undoubtedly had in the Record of 1562, and in Wolf's Edition.

But the Question is, whether twas actually restored, or no. This Question therefore I shall now

determin. And,

First, Amongst Mr. Petyi's Papers in the Inner Temple Library (Press the 4th, Numb. 47. p. 35.) there is the rough Draught of a Letter written by Archbishop Parker, and in his own Hand (most probably intended for the great Lord Burleigh) which I will present to the Reader in its full Length, only advertising him in the first place, that the Archbishop's Corrections and Interlineations are printed in the Roman Character.

Sir,

Have considered what your bonour said to me this daie concerning St. Augustines authoritie alleadged in the article in the first original agreed upon; and I am advised the still in mine opinion concerninge (a) so much, wherefore they be alleadged in the article; and (b) for (c) furder truthe of the Wordes, beside St. Austen, bothe be in other places, and Prosper in his sentences owte of Austen, sentence, and gray, doth plainelie affirme our opinion in the Article to be moste true, how sow sow men varewe from it.

Sir, I am abowte to spende this weke in examination of M's Goodman, Lever, Sampson, Walker, Whiborne, Gauff, and such others. I wolde be glad that the Busshoppes of Winton, Elie, (d) Worcester, and Chichester, being all Commissioners, should joyne with me. My L. of Sarum hath promised to stande by me. I doubte, (e) whether the

(b) The Word furthermore was here written; but 'tis Aruck

out again.

⁽a) The Archbishop had here written the Wordes; but he struck them out again, and wrote over head so much.

⁽c) It had been written the; but the is struck out and furder is written over head.

⁽d) Sarum had been here written; but 'tis blotted out again.
(e) that had been written here; but 'tis fixuck out again, and whather is written over head.

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B. of London would deale with me to that effecte, to suspende them, or deprive them, if they will not affente unto thes proxi

positions inserted.

How foever the Worlde will judge, I will ferve God, (f) my Prince, and her lawes, in my Conscience, as it is highe time to (g) (ett upon yt. And yet I would be glad to. be advised, to worke prudentlye, rather to Edification, than so distruction.

. If it may please her Majestie to permite our booke of Diseipline, I will labour to put it in printe for furder instruction, Si non placet, faciet Dominus quod bonum est in pculis suis. For my partie, I am at a pointe in theis; worldlie respects, (b) and yet (i) shall be readie to heare, (k) Quid in me loquatur Dominus.

And thus committing your honour to Almightie god.

wishe you the same grace, as I would have my felf.

From Lambith 4th of June 1571.

Now for the clearing of the Point before us, and for the right understanding of the former part of this Letter (tho' I shall also have occasion for the Remainder afterwards) it must be observed, that St. Austin is but once quoted in our Articles; and consequently the Archbishop's Words manifestly relate. to the Twenty ninth Article, in the Body of which St. Austin is quoted, and in the Margin of which is printed, in the Copy E, that very Reference to St. Austin's Twenty sixth Tract on St. John, which is written, in the Margin of the same Article, in the Bennet College Latin MS. of 1562, by the Arch-

Twas written, wherin I ought to thinke otherwife; but that being struck out, quid, &c. was written over head.

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⁽f) and had been written here; but 'tis struck out again.

⁽g) doe was writ here; but blotted out again. (h) Here was written to please God if I can; but 'tis struck out again, and over head is written in theis worldlie respects.

⁽i) 'Twas written to be advertised; but that being fruck out again, shall be readie to heare, is written over head.

bishop's own Hand. And 'tis plain, that the Perfon for whom the Archbishop prepared this Letter (and to whom a fair Transcript of it was probably sent) had either started himself, or received from another Hand, an Objection against that Quotation, importing, that the Doctrin of our Article is not the Doctrin of St. Austin. The Archbishop therefore goes Home, and consults St. Austin again, and writes Word, that after all the mature Deliberation he had taken, he was advisedly still in his Opinion, adding, that St. Austin himself in other Places, and Prosper in his Sentences out of St. Austin, do plainly affirm our Opinion in the Article to be most true.

Now whether a different Interpretation might have been forced upon the Archbishop's Words in this Letter, if the Copy E had never appeared, in which that remarkable Reference to St. Austin's. Twenty sixth Tract on St. John is printed, I will not inquire. But, since the Copy E is extant, in the Margin of which One Tract of St. Austin's is expressly referred to; and since the Archbishop appeals to Other Places of the same Father, as maintaining the same Doctrin: I appeal to the Conscience of any ingenuous Person, whether these things

do not most manifestly explain each other.

For did not the Discourse between the Archbishop and his Friend relate to the Twenty ninth.
Article? Do not the Archbishop's Words suppose
(when he appeals to Other Places of the same Fazther) that some One particular Place was expressly
referred to? And is not a particular Place of
St. Austin referred to in the Margin of the Copy E?
And is not the Reference made in the very same
Words, which are sound written by the Archbishop's own Hand in the Margin of the MS. of
1562? And was not that very Reference, which is
printed in E, actually taken out of the Form; and

were not the other Copies we have of that very Edition (which Thave also proved to be later Copies than E) printed without the faid Reference? And what does all this necessarily imply? Why, furely it implies, that the Archbishop, finding that some Persons doubted, whether the Place of St. Aufin referred to in the Margin of the Twenty ninth Article in the Copy E, contain'd the same Doctrin which the Article taught; and knowing that St. Aufin taught this Doctrin (if not in the Place referred to, as the Archbishop still thought he did, yet) in Several Other places of his Writings, and that Prosper did the same in his Extracts from him; that the Archbishop, I say, considering these Circumstances, would not suffer the Affirmation in the Body of the Article (touching what St. Auftin taught) to rest intirely and folely upon that fingle place which was referr'd to, by permitting that Reference to continue in the Margin, and appear in all those Copies. of the fame Impression, which would necessarily be wrought off: but caused the said Reference to be remov'd (which Fact he might well justify, especially fince he probably got that Reference put in himfelf merely for the Reader's Ease, in finding out a place for the Justification of the Quotation made in the Text; tho' he could not alter a Syllable in the Body of the Article) and contented himself, that as the Body of the Article quoted St. Auftin at large, so he was well assured, that the Article taught St. Antin's Doctrin, afferted up and down in his Books, whether his 26th Tract on St. Folin was sufficiently-full and express to that purpose, or no. Let any honest Man reflect upon these Things, and compare them all together, and then pass a different Judgment, if he can.

For my part, I can't conceive, how 'tis possible to evade the Force of what I have advanc'd, unless it should

should be suspected, that the Archbishop and his Friend discoursed upon a MS. Copy of the Articles. If this Fansy should enter into any Man's Head twere sufficient to reply; that 'tis groundless and improbable. For to what end and Purpose should the Archbishop communicate a MS, Copy of the Articles, after the Convocation was diffolved, and all, things of that Nature were finally concluded? However, that I may effectually destroy this No-tion, I will desire the Person that entertains it (if any fuch there be) to answer me one Question, viz. fince the Archbishop justifies the Article by appeal. ing to other Places of St. Auftin; and consequently the Dispute between the Archbishop and his Friend was unquestionably about some one particular Place of St. Austin (which was either actually specify'd in the Copy they had before them; or else mention'd by the Archbishop, who could not but know, which place of St. Austin was meant) I desire to be informed, how that particular Reference, which was originally so certainly the Archbishop's own, was thrust into the Margin of the Copy E; and yet was most manifestly removed out of the Form, when the other Copies of the very same Impression were Had the Archbishop known this Objection against that one place of St. Auftin, before any Copy of the Articles had been printed off with a Reference to it, doubtless that Reference had never been seen in any one Copy whatsoever. But there being a Copy now extant with that very Reference in it (which Copy has also, as I have already shewn, diverse other Marks of its being prior to the rest of the very same Impression) which Reference was afterwards fo notoriously removed; I say, this demonstrates, that when they discoursed, they had a printed Copy before them, which had fuch a printed Reference in it, and which (unless one of a different Impression can be found, with such a printed Reference) Obstinacy it fell must own to have been

of the very fame fort with E.

Now 'twill be readily granted (however, it may be clearly evinced) that the Archbishop could not be imposed upon, and mistake a spurious Copy of the Articles for a genuin one. For do but mark the Circumstances. The Dominical Letter in the Year 1571 was G. Of this there needs no other Proof, than that April 20th, 27th, and May 4th, 11th, were Fridays, and May 23d, 30th, were Wednesdays, as Dr. Heylyn's Abstract, quoted above in the Nineteenth Chapter, shews. Now it appears from what I have already faid in the foregoing Chapter, that the Bi-Thops, in whose House this Affair began, could not have finished the Text in both Languages sooner than on May 23d. And if they immediatly fent what they had don, to the Lower House; and if twas passed by the Lower House on Friday the 25th of May; yet still the Royal Assent was to be obtained, and a Sunday presently followed; so that we can't suppose, that the Copy went to the Press be-fore Monday the 28th of May. And the Archbishop's Letter is dated on June the 4th. And can it then be imagin'd, that the Archbishop had so soon forgot the Contents of that Book, which had so lately pass'd thro' his own Hands, and in the Preparation of which he had undoubtedly the greatest Concern and Share? He therefore certainly knew, that the Copy discoursed on by himself and his Friend (and which was the same with E) was genuin; and that it really and faithfully expressed (Errors of the Press always excepted) what had been resolved on and passed by both Houses of Convocation.

And now, what is the necessary Consequence of all this? Why, fince the Copy E, and all the rest Chap. XXIV. Thirty nine Articles.

of that Impression, have the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article in them; therefore that Clause is genuin, and was agreed on by this very

Convocation, as well as by that in 1562.

And indeed, I can't but efteem it a fingular Providence, that the Copy E has been preserved to us. For fince the Articles could not go to the Press before Monday the 28th of May, and this Letter was written on Fune 4th, which was the Monday follows ing; and fince the Articles make in that Impression three Sheets and a half: therefore 'tis certain, the Printers had time little enough in Conscience, to fet the Press, and get a few Copies ready for the Archbishop, and some other great Persons, by the 4th of June. And accordingly we find manifest Marks of Hast in the Copy E, which is (as I have shewn) more uncorrect than the later Copies of the very same Impression. And probably also the Printers staid for the Archbishop's Order, after his having perused the printed Copy, before they proceeded to work off the Number they intended. So that I can't but think, there were very few Copies wrought off with that Reference in the Margin of the Twenty ninth Article, which is found in E. For doubtless the Archbishop ordered the Form to be altered, as foon as ever he perceived the Inconvenience of suffering that Marginal Reference to run thro' the Impression. And therefore the Copy E must be esteemed a very great Rarity, it being unquestionably one of the very first Copies, that were printed in this Year.

Secondly, If the Copy E had not been extant, at least, if the Reference had not been extant in the Margin of it, we have notwithstanding convincing Proof, that this Controverted Clause is genuin. For I have shewn, that the Copies C, D,

E, and the two first Sheets of that Copy which my Text expresses in the Collation, are all of them of the very first Impression of this Year. This Matter of Fact I have so well established in the foregoing Chapter, that I challenge any Printer in England (and my Argument being built upon some Skill in their Trade, Printers are certainly the most competent Judges of it) to disprove what I have said, or even to render it doubtful. Now the Copies C. D. E. have this Controverted Clause; and so has that Copy which my English Text expresses, in which (as I have shewn) the Sheet B, which contains amongst others the Twentieth Article, is of the very same Impression with the Sheet of the same Signature in the Copies C, D, E. From hence then it follows, That the MS. Copy delivered by Authority to the Printer, had the Controverted Clause in it; and consequently the Omission of it in some subsequent Editions of that Year. was arrant Knavery. For let any Man pretend. if he can, that the Twentieth Article was thus mangled, after the First Impression, by any competent Authority whatfoever.

I will here add (because it regularly belongs to this Year; and consequently this is the most proper Place for it) one Particular, which is worth considering. It has been often urged, and indeed with great Warmth, that this Controverted Clause must needs be a Forgery, because 'tis not to be found in those Bennet College MSS. which were signed in the Years 1562 and 1571. I consess, I have already answer'd this Plea; and demonstrated, that several Alterations were authenticly made in the Articles, in each of those Years, after those MSS. were respectively signed. But I will now produce an Instance of a different Sort, which will

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confirm what I have proved with regard to the Articles, because it demonstrates a like Practice with regard to some Canons.

Every body knows, that the Convocation of 1571 made a Book of Canons. The Original is in

Bennet College Library, subscribed as follows.

Matthæus Cantuar. Edwinus London. Rob. Winton. 70. Heref. Richardus Eliens. Nic. Wigorn. 70. Sarisburien. R. Meneven. Edm. Roffen. Gilbert. Bath. & Well. Tho. Coven. & Lich. Job. Norwic. Nic. Bangor. Ri. Cicestr. Tho. Lincoln. Wilbel, Exon.

Edmondos Ebor. fubscrip. per Mass. Cant. Procur. Jacobus Dunelm. subscr. per Rob. Winton. Procurat.

Edmund. Peterb. subs. per Nic. Wigorn.

Guliel. Cestrens.

Tho. Assiph. & Hugo Landaff. fubscr. per Nic. Bangor Proc. suum.

Now these Canons are considerably altered since the Subscription aforesaid, if Day's Edition of them, either Latin or English, may be trusted; which, I presume, in this Instance, will be readily granted.

This will appear by a few of the Differences.

The first Title is De Episcopis. Now in the Second Paragraph of this Title the Original runs thus, Concionatoribus, quos aut Regia Majestas, aut Archiepiscopus Cantuariensis, aut Episcopus approbaverit; utque submisse, &c. Ibid. concipientur for dicentur. In the Third Paragraph, the MS. reads, ante Calendas Julias proximas. The MS. also reads inducet for extinguet. In the Fifth Paragraph 'twas written in MS.

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thus, Episcoporum famuli caligis istis monstrosis & taliaribus, quas publica insania, & novitatis insatiabilis libido in usum induxit, imposterum non utentur; sed in omni vestis genere ita se modeste, &c. but part of these Words, viz. from caligis to genere inclusively, is struck out again; and yet in omni vestis genere is in the printed Copy.

In the second Title, which is Decani Ecclesiarum Cathedralium, before that which is now the third Paragraph, the MS. has these Words, Decani Ecclesiarum Cathedralium & Prebendarii observabunt easdem illas regulas, quas dedimus Episcopis, de delectu famulorum, & fugienda braccharum laxitate, & lasciva mollitie in vestitu. And yet 'tis observable, that there is nothing in either the MS. or the printed Copy, in the Title De Episcopis, which particularly cautions against the laxit as braccharum intheir Servants. So that probably this Canon was made, whilft fomething flood in the Title De Episcopis, which does not at present any where appear; and this Reference was not afterwards altered, as it should have been. In that which is now the third Paragraph, after Diacesi, these Words maxime vero in illis locis, unde ipsis reditus annui & stipendia suppeditantur, are added in the Print, which were not in the MS.

These Particulars may suffice for a Tast. Judge therefore impartially. Might not the Articles be as well altered after the Subscription, as the Canons were? And was there any new Subscription after these Alterations of the Canons? Might it not suffice, if the Alterations were voted? And might not the Alterations of the Articles be voted, as well as those of the Canons? Nay farther, does not the latter Part of the Archbishop's Letter recited above, shew, that these Canons were in Suspense with the Queen on the Fourth of June, when

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the Convocation was dissolved? And what is some Particulars were altered by her Command, when there was no Convocation sitting? Does not every body know, what Spirit Queen Elizabeth was of? He that can account for the Alterations in these Canons, may easily account for the Alterations in the Articles, either in 1562, or in 1571. But

enough of this Matter. 'Twill now be proper to relate, how that foul Corruption of the Twentieth Article, by leaving out the Controverted Clause, was managed at the Press. Know then, that the Quarto Copies of this Year do begin all their Pages, except the Fourteenth, with the very same Word or Syllable; and that the Twentieth Article begins in the latter Part of the Thirteenth, and ends in the former Part of the Fourteenth Page. Now the Composition of the Thirteenth, and Fourteenth Pages in the genuin Copies is exactly like the rest, neither closer nor wider. How then could those, that pretended to print Page for Page, steal two Lines and an half out of the Text, and yet so well deceive the Eye, that a Vacancy should not be discerned, but the Pages still appear full? Why, thus. The Title of the Twentieth Article in the genuin Copies makes but one Line. They therefore made two Lines of it, by putting the Word Church in a Line by it self. Then they opened the Space of a Line between the Title and the Body of the Twenty first Article. Thus they gained two whole Lines. Then they overran the remaining Matter of the Body of the Twentieth Article, which in the genuin Copies makes (comprehending the Controverted Clause) ten complete Lines, and half an Eleventh; and they brought it, by omitting the Controverted Clause, to eight complete Lines,

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and less than half of a ninth. This was the Progress

of the Cheat, as every Eye may discover.

It may perhaps feem strange, that there was but one Edition of the Articles printed with the Controverted Clause in this Year; whereas there are different Editions of the same Year printed without it. But it must be observ'd, that the Act which obliged the Clergy to subscribe them, passed this Year; and the feveral Dioceses were accordingly to be furnish d with vast Quantities. So that the Forms could not but stand a long time, and greater Numbers might then be probably wrought off of one Impression, than at any other time four or five Impressions might amount to. 'Twas accordingly unreasonable to expect more than one Impression of Genuin Copies in this Year. But as for the Corrupted ones, they were probably wrought off by Stealth, and in small Quantities; and the Forms accordingly were not probably suffered to stand long. So that a new Impression was necessary, whenever they resolv'd to repeat the Cheat. However, the Dispute is not, whether there were more Editions of genuin, or of spurious Copies; but which was the first, and consequently the genuin Edition.

CHAP. XXV.

Of Day's Latin Copies of the Articles printed in 1.571.

S the English Text was printed by Jugge and Cawood; so the Latin Text was printed by Day. But it may be asked, whether Day published more than one Latin Edition in this Year.

I have in the Collation exhibited one Edition of this Year printed by Day, which has not the Controverted Clause. Every body will observe, that 'tis carelesty printed; and indeed, since I made my Collation, I have observ'd, that all the Copies are not exactly alike. For Instance, I have a Copy now before me, which reads Grace for Greci in the Ninth Article, and inferts ellet after macula in the Fifteenth. And as in the foregoing Instances it justly corrects that Copy which my Text expresses; so it discovers in it felf some Faults, which in that Copy which my Latin Text expresses, are corrected. For Instance, this Copy, in Opposition to that which I had used, reads in the Twenty fifth Article uterentur recipientes (for tho' fome Person has by scratching out the Top and the Tongue of the t, and by joining the n and t with a small Stroke of a Pen, changed the former of these Words into uteremur; and tho' a slight Stroke of a Pen is drawn thro' recipientes: yet every Man will discern, how 'twas first' printed) instead of uteremur; and in the Title of the Thirty fixth Article it reads Episcorum for Episcoporum. And perhaps, were it worth while to examin a Variety of Copies, a larger Number of Differences might be collected.

But the great Question is, whether Day ever printed any Copies in this Year, which had the Controverted Clause. For my part I am fully per-

fuaded he did. For,

First, There is no fufficient Ground to think, that he did not. I own, I could never fee fuch a Copy, nor speak with, or hear from, any Person that did see it. But might there not formerly have been an Edition, of which there is not at present a Copy to be found? Or may not some such Copies still lie hid amongst Parcels of old Books, which are very seldom

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fearched into, at least with tolerable Care? Let those Persons answer these Questions, who never could have believed, till they were very lately convinc'd, that there were English Copies extant, printed in the Year 1571, with the Controverted Clause in them. 'Tis true also, that several great Authors have affirm'd, that the Controverted Clause was omitted in the Latin Copies of this Year. But what then? Have not the same Authors affirm'd the same thing of the English Copies of the same Year? And might not those, whose mistake about the English Copies has been made so glaring, as well mistake about the Latin ones too? The Words of those Authors imply no more, than that they never remember to have met with any Copies of that Year (either Latin or English) that had the Controverted Clause. But have not such English Copies been lately produc'd? And may not Latin ones also be produc'd in God's good Time? The Argument from the Non-appearance of such Latin Copies is at the best but a negative one; and therefore can't be thought sufficient to counterbalance the positive Assertion of an unexceptionable Witness on the other fide. For

Secondly, Bishop Sparrow has exhibited in his Collection a Latin Edition of this very Year printed by Day, with the Controverted Clause in it. And he has exhibited it in such a manner, that he must either have really feen and followed fuch an Edition, or been guilty of the groffest downright Forgery.

For he can't be justify'd bysaying, that the Clause was in Wolf's Edition, or that it was in the Record (which Particulars he may indeed well be supposed aware of) and consequently that he did only restore it in Day. For, 1. he pretends to express the Edition of Day, without any Intimation, that he used

used a Liberty in correcting the Omissions of it: and he is fo punctual as to preferve in his own Copy the very Date, &c. of Day's Edition, and confequently he pretends to give us an exact Copy of what was to be found in Day. 2. Had he intended to restore the Clause from the Record or Wolf, he would have printed it as he found it in them; whereas he varies from them in this very Claufe. For they both want the Words five ceremonias, which Bishop Sparrow inserts. And 'tis remarkable, that there was no need of inferting them neither. For tho' the inferting them brings the Clause rather nearer to the English Copies of this Year: yet the Latin of the Record and Wolf would well enough have born the English reading. For in the English Translation two Words, the one exegetical of the other, are fometimes found to answer one Latin one. Thus in the Twenty fifth Article notæ is translated Badges or Tokens. How then could Bishop Sparrow intend only to restore the Clause, when he made a manifest and unnecessary Addition to it? 2. He could not but know, what a Stir was made about this Clause in Archbishop Laud's Time; and that Archbishop Laud, in his Speech in the Star-Chamber, which was the celebrated Defence of the genuiness of this Clause, expresly saies, that it was lest out in the Latin Edition of the Year 1571. And would Bishop Sparrow then dare to insert it in his Copy of that very Edition; and in that very Infertion vary from the Reading of A. Bp. Laud's Authorities (upon the Credit of which, principally, he must have restored it) would he do this, I say, without giving a Reason for it, or declaring upon what Grounds he did it?

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. We must therefore conclude, that by expressing it in his Copy of Day's Edition, he vouches its being in Day's own Copy; and we have confequently his express Testimony, that he himself found and knew it to be there. So that, if the Clause was not there, the Bishop was an arrant Liar and Impostor, which is as vile a Character, almost, as 'tis posfible for any Man to deferve. And yet that Bishop always approved himfelf, both in Prosperity and Adversity, a Man of the very strictest Probity; and carried to his Grave the Reputation of an unfuspected Integrity, and most eminently exemplary. Piety. Why therefore should such a Witness be disbeliev'd, when he justifies a matter of Fact upon the Credit of his own Eyes? He had afferted the same thing with respect to the English Copies, in spight of the former Declarations of some eminent Writers; and he must have deserved to be branded with the same Infamy upon that account (if this Way of Reasoning be true and just) till the genuin Edition was very lately brought to light. But we have lived to see his Veracity demonstrated with respect to the English Copies: and why may we not suppose, that he acted as uprightly in that Point, for which we can't as yet produce the Proofs; as 'tis now demonstrably plain he did in that, for which he must have continued equally liable to Censure, had not mere Chance mustered up so many Witnesses of his Sincerity? Wherefore the Bishop's single Testimony ought to be thought substantial Proof by all fuch Persons, as would be unwilling (and who would not?) to be charged by Posterity with deliberate Falshood, merely for afferting, that they had feen such a Book, as perhaps in aftertimes could not be produced.

But besides all this, there are diverse collateral Circumstances, which confirm Bishop Sparrow's

Testimony. For,

1. I have effectually demonstrated, that the Controverted Clause was an authentic Part of the genuin English Edition. And can it then be conceived, that there was no Latin Edition conformable to the genuin English one? Or will any Man be so void of Sense, as to pretend, that Authority designedly

made a Difference between them?

2. Tis exceedingly remarkable, that those Copies which we now have of Day's Edition printed in this Year, differ from Bishop Sparrow's Copy in no less than four material Particulars (besides the Controverted Clause) in that very Leaf, B 3. which contains the Twentieth Article in Day's own Copies. And I dare affirm, and so will the Reader too, that in every one of those Particulars, the Copies we have of Day's own Edition are certainly wrong, and that Bishop Sparrow's Copy is exactly right. To make this plain, I will exhibit the feveral Particulars in a Table, and compare them with the English Translation both Old and New.

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Day. quod verbo Dei ad- Old. that is contrary verfetur. to God's Word written.

scripto adversetur.

A R T. 21.

D. quæ ad normam pie- O. things pertaining tatis pertinent. N. unto God.

S. quæ ad Deum pertinent.

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A R T. 23.

D. De vocatione mini- O. No Man may miniftrorum. fter in the Congre-

S. De ministrando in Ecclesia.

O. No Man may minifter in the Congregation, except he be called.

N. Of Ministring in the Congregation.

A R T. 24.

D. De precibus publicis dicendis in lingua vulgari.

S. De loquendo in Ecclesia lingua quam populus intelligit. O. Men must speak in the Congregation in such Tongue as the People understandeth.

N. Of speaking in the Congregation in such a Tongue as the People under-

Let us now examin each of these Particulars.

In the first Instance, that scripto ought to be inferted, is manifest. The Bennet College MS. Wolf's Edition, and the MS. with which Bod. 2. was compared (probably the very Record) all have it; and the English both of the Old and New Translation renders it. So that the Omission of it in our Copies of Day is faulty, and Bishop Sparrow's Reading is right.

In the fecond Instance, the English both of the Old and New Translation agrees with Bishop Sparrow's Reading; which must needs imply, that that Alteration of the Latin which we find in the Bi-

shop's

shop's Copy, was made by Convocation, and that Day does faultily retain the old Reading of Wolf.

In the third and fourth Instances, the New Translation varies from the Old; and the Bishop agrees exactly with the New Translation in oppofition to our Copies of Day, which retain the Old. From whence it follows, that the Bishop's Readings are right (the Old Latin Text being in all other Places corrected into a Conformity with the

New Translation) and Day's are wrong.

And what does the Reader now think? Had the Bishop intended a Forgery of the Controverted Clause, he would not surely have rendred his Edition fuspicious by making fo many other Variations. And yet in all these Particulars, wherein the Bishop differs from our present Copies of Day, 'tis notorious, that all the English Editions of the New Translation printed in this very Year, whether with or without the Controverted Clause, agree in confirming the Bishop's Readings, and confuting those of Day. Do's not this demonstrate. that Bishop Sparrow's Copy of Day's Edition differed from those we now have? And are not all those Differences found in that very Leaf of our present Copies of Day, wherein the Twentieth Article is printed? I am therefore convinced, that that Leaf has been knavishly abused; and that Day printed the Articles at first with the Controverted Clause in them, as Bishop Sparrow has given us the Copy of it; but that afterwards he printed them without the Clause, probably about the same time that the fame Trick was play'd in the English Text, as has been fully proved.

If it be ask'd, what End Day could ferve by making those four other Alterations which I have produc'd, besides the Controverted Clause; I answer, God only knows. Such as could be guilty of falsifying the Twentieth Article by the Omission of the Controverted Clause, might also dare to do the rest, altho' we do not know their Reasons. 'Twould puzzle a Man perhaps to assign a Reason even for omitting the Controverted Clause. For I don't understand from the Disputes of those Days, that any resused Subscription upon the Account of it: and yet this Wickedness was committed notwith-

standing. In short therefore, Bishop Sparrow gives us a Copy of Day's Edition, which has the Controverted Clause in it. Now we have evident Proofs from the English Copies, that the Controverted Clause is genuin; and we ought for that Reason to conclude, that Bishop Sparrow speaks the very Truth, when he affures us, that it was printed by Day, the Queen's Latin Printer, in Conformity to the genuin Edition of the Queen's English Printers, Jugge and Cawood. But farther, Bishop Sparrow reports, that that Copy of Day which he followed, differed from our present Copies of Day, in no less than four remarkable Particulars (besides the Controverted Clause) in that very Leaf, in which our present Copies of Day give us the Twentieth Article: And all the English Copies of this Year, whether with or without the Clause, do justify Bishop Sparrow's Readings in opposition to our present Copies of Day. This is a great Confirmation of Bishop Sparrow's Testimony. I am therefore abundantly satisfy'd, that there were very foul Practices with respect to that Leaf, and that the Controverted Clause was then left out, when the other Alterations in that Leaf were made.

Whether this were done in one and the same Impression, none can at present determin. The sight fight of a genuin Copy would foon discover it. 'Twas certainly possible for them to alter that Leaf. tho' the other Parts of the Forms continued untouch'd.

Nothing now remains, upon this Head, but that I account for the different Readings of the Controverted Clause it self. There is no Dispute about the English Copies. For those that have it. read all alike. But the Record (as Archbishop Laud's Paper and Dr. Heylyn expressly testify) Wolf's Edition, and that MS. by which Bod. 2. was corrected (tho' I verily believe it was the Record it felf) have not the Words five ceremonias, which are in Bishop Sparrow's Copy of Day, and which Dr. Heylyn himself does (a) elsewhere acknowledge; with this only Difference in the whole (which in Reality is none) that the Doctor places fidei after controversiis. whereas in the Record and Wolf's Edition it stood before it; and this Misplacing might be a Slip of the Doctor's Memory, or a Mistake of the Press. I presume therefore, that the Clause stood as Wolf reads it, till the Year 1571, when the Convocation inserted five ceremonias, as exegetical to ritus; and fo Day printed it. And Dr. Heylyn accordingly, when he does not expresly cite the Record, quotes it as it stood improved or enlarged in the usual Copies.

⁽a) The Life of Archbishop Land, p. 70.

C H A P. XXVI.

Of the Subscription of the Convocation in 1604.

Don't find that the Convocation ever had the Articles again before them, till the Year 1604, when they subscribed them in a most solemn Manner.

They took a Quarto Copy of them, printed at London in the Year 1593, by the Deputies of Christopher Barker (which also has the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article, to note that by the way) bound up in Vellam, with a quantity of Paper annexed, sufficient for their Purpose. And on the Backside of the last Page was written as follows.

To all and singular the precedent Articles of Religion comprised in this Booke, being in Number Thirty nine, we the Byshops and whole Cleargy of the Province of Canterburye assembled in the Convocation holden at London, uppon a publique Readinge and deliberate Consideracion of the sayed Articles the 18th of May in the Yeare of our Lord God 1604. have willingly and with one accorde consented and subscribed.

Then in the same Page are the following Autographal Subscriptions, viz.

Ric. London, President.
Tho. Winton.
W. Lincoln.
Fo. Bathon. & Wellen.
Antho. Cicestren.
Fo. Rossens.
Gerv. Wigorn.
Anth. Meneven.
Willm. Asphen.

The next Page contains the following Subscriptions of other Bishops,

Willm? Exon.
Hen. Bangor.
Tho. Petriburg.
Ro. Hereford.
Jo. Bristoll.
Henry Sarum.
M. Elie.
Fr. Landaven.
Jo. Norwicen.
Jo. Oxon.

The two next Pages contain the Subscriptions of the Deans; as several others do those of the Archdeacons, Proctors for Chapters, and Proctors for the Clergy, in the following Order.

Decani Ecclesiarum Cathedralium, & Collegiatarum.

Thomas Ravis, Decanus Eccles. Christi Oxon. Proloquutor.

Jacobus Mountagu, Decanus Capella Regia, & Eccles. Lich.

Tho. Nevile, Decanus Eccles. Metropol. Cant.

Matt. Sutlivius, Decan. Exon. Joannes Gordon, Dec. Sarum.

Umphridus Tyndall, Dec. Eliens.

Tho. Blague, Dec. Roffens. Rich. Eedes, Dec. Wigorn.

Johannes Overall, Dec. D. Pauli London.

Griffith Lewys, Dec. Eccles. Gloucest.

Simon Robson, Dec. Brist.

Benj. Heydon, Dec. Wellens.

Georg. Montgomery, Dec. Norvic. Laurentius Stanton, Dec. Lincoln.

Georg. Abbott, Dec. Winton. per me Tho. Ravis ex speciali mandato Procuratorem ad hoc substitutum.

Carolus Langford, Dec. Heref. per me Sim. Smyth de speciali mandato Procuratorem ad hoc substitutum.

Tho. Banks, A. M. Dec. Asaph. per me Gulielmum Barlow de speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc substit.

Richardus Parrye, S. Th. Prof. Dec. Bangor. per me Tho. Ravis de speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc substit.

Archidiaconi.

Car. Fotherbye, Archid. Cant.
Mich. Renigerus, Arch. Winton.

Joannes Langworth, Arch. Wellens.

Philip. Bisse, Arch. Taunton.

Jac. Cottington, Arch. Surrie.

Jo. Drury, Arch. Oxon.

Tho. Barret, Arch. Exon.

Ric. Clayton, Arch. Lincol.

Will. Tooker, Arch. Barum.

Erasmus Webb, Arch. Bucks.

Joannes Buckeridge, Arch. Northampton.

Joannes Freake, Arch. Norwic.

Rob. Hill, Arch. Glocest.

Simon Smyth, Arch. Heref.

Rob. Newman, Subst. Johannis Firmarie Arch. de Stowe.

Mer. Morgan, Arch. de Carmarthen. Theoph. Ailmer, Arch. London. Rad. Pickhaver, Arch. Sarum. Rob. Tighe, Arch. Middlef. Rog. Dod, Arch. (a) Salop. And. Vaen, Arch. Brechon.

Simon Smyth, Procurator Guilhelmi (b) Grenew, Arch. Salop. in Ecclef. Cath. Heref.

(c) W. Souch, Procurator Archidiaconi Sarum.

Guilelmus Hinton, Arch. Covent.

Lewis Swete, Arch. Tottnes, per me Procur Tho. Barret.

W. Souch, Proc. Arch. Dorfet.

Joannes Maptizden, Arch. Suff.

Wm. Huchenson, Arch. Cornub.

Cadwalladerus Hughes, Arch. Landaw.

Tho. Stalter, Arch. Roffens.

Tho. Wither, Arch. Colcestr.

(d) Tho. Corbett, Proc. Arch. Lester.

Jo. Johnson, Arch. Wigorn.

Rob. Johnson, Arch. Leicest.

Ri. Stokes, Arch. Norf.

Tho. Patenson, Arch. (e)

Job. Mattock, Arch. Lewens.

Rich. Hackluyt, Arch. West.

Sam. Harsnet, Arch. Essex.

(b) I think I read this Person's Name right.

(d) This has a Mark before it; which probably fignifies that it flands for nothing, Johnson coming presently into the House,

Edm.

⁽s) There are two Archdeaconries of Salop, the one in Lichfield, the other in Hereford Diocese. It appears from the next Subscription save one, that this Person enjoyed the former of these Dignities.

⁽c) I presume, Souch came into the House, after Pickhaver was gone forth; and therefore, knowing himself to be Pickhaver's Proxy, and not perusing the Names of those that had already subscribed, he hastily entred this Subscription.

and subscribing in Person.

(e) I can't positively affirm, what Place this Person was Archdeacon of, his Title being written in so bad a manner. But I guess, 'twas Chich ster; for I think I can make out Cistria.

or something very like it.

Edm. Lillie, Arch. Wilts. Will. Powel, Arch. Bathon. Valent. Overton, Arch. Derby.

Rob. Tynlye, Arch. Elien. per me Tho. Ravis ex

speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc substit.

Cuthbertus Norris, Arch. Sudbury, per me Zachariam Pasfeild ex speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc subst.

Rob. Conzall, Arch. Hunting. per me Henr. Morley ex speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc substit.

Edm. Price, Arch. Merioneth, per me Jo. Davies ex speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc subst.

Georg. Eland, S. T. B. Arch. Bedford, per me Jo. Childerley ex speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc substit.

Procuratores Capitulorum.

Phil. Bisse, Procurator Capituli Wellens. Rob. Kercher, Procur. Capit. Winton. Rog. Parker, Proc. Cap. Lincoln. Foan. Dix, Proc. Cap. Bristol. Will. Wilson, Proc. Cap. Roff. Petrus Lyly, Proc. Cap. Sarum. Fob. Bag (have, Proc. Eccles. Lichf. Job. Hilles, Proc. Eccl. Eliens. Simon Smyth, Proc. Cap. Heref. Mer. Morgan, Proc. Eccles. Cath. Menew. Arth. Williams, Proc. Eccles. Cath. Asaph. Petrus Cooks, Proc. Cap. Gloncest. Edm. Sucklyng, Proc. Cap. Norw. Martinus Fotherby, Proc. Cap. C.int. Jo. Howson, Proc. Cap. Eccles. Christi Oxon. Tho. White, Proc. Cap. D. Paule Lond. Will. Helyar, Proc. Cap. Sti Petri Exon. Mauricius Gruffyn, Proc. Cap. Landav. Garretus Williamson, Proc. Cap. Cicestr.

Procura-

Procuratores Cleri.

Zach. Pasfeild Procuratores Lond. Dioces.

Guielmus Wode Procur. Wigorn. Dioces.

W. Prytherghe Proc. Cleri Petriburg.

Guilielmus Souch Proc. Briftol. Job. Tapfell

Zach. Babington Proc. Coven. & Lichf.

Franc. James per me Proc. Cleri Dioc. Bath & Well. Gul. Barker

Otthowellus Hyll Proc. Cleri Lincoln.

Edow. (f) Wickham Proc. Cleri Ciceft. Rob. Scott

Griff. Vaughan
Owinus Meredith
Proc. Cleri Dioc. Bangor. per
Griff. Vaughan de speciali mandato Procur. ad hoc substit.

Will, Helyar Proc. Cleri Dioc. Exon.

Will. Smythe Proc. Cleri Dioc. Eliens.

Guiliel. Prichard Proc. Cleri Dioc. Landav.

Christopherus Cragge Proc. Cleri Dioc. Gloucest.

Sam. Cinlton

John Davies Edm. Price, per me prædict Proc. Cler. Asaph. J. Davies Proc.

⁽f) This Name is written exceedingly ill: but I hope I have Ait it. Will B b 2

Will. Jones? Proc. Cleri Norwic.

Will. Wilson Proc. Cleri Roffen.

Henr. Marten Proc. Cleri Sarum. W. Wilkinson

Arth. Lake Proc. Cleri Winton.

Mich. Rabbett

Benj. Charier Proc. Cleri Cant. **(**g)

Ant. Blincowe Proc. Cleri Oxon. 70. Craiker

Rob, Rudd Rob. Roberts, per Rob. Rudd Proc. Cleri Menew. hoc substit.

Jacobus Baylie Proc. Cleri Heref. per Sim. Smyth de spec. mand. Proc. ad hoc sub-Georg. Benson >

On the outside of this Book is written as follows,

The Originall of the Articles subscribed, &c. 1562 and 1571.

Subscribed agains 1604, in the beginninge of K. Jeames.

And note that these Words Subscribed again, &c. are manifestly written by Archbishop Laud's own And I conclude from the Sameness of Color in the Ink, that the Word and, and the Date 1571, were also written by him.

⁽g) There is but one Subscriber for the Clergy of this Di-DColo.

that the Book had probably been his. However, 'tis reported, that it was once pawned for a Pot of Ale at a Public House, and redeem'd from thence by a Person of Curiosity; after whose Death it came, with other Books and Papers, into the Libraty of the Reverend Mr. Robert Foulkes, Rector of Llanbeder and Llanwwrog in Denbighshire in North Wales, to whom I here return my humble Thanks for the use of it.

I must farther observe, that there are in this Book some Corrections made with the Pen, viz.

In the Title Page, Kinges for Queenes. The same in the 37th Article. bis for ber. ibid.

our late Queene. ibid.

These Corrections were probably previous to the Subscription; tho' I can't give a good Reason for them. I am sure, there was no necessity of them.

CHAP. XXVII.

Of King Charles the First's Edition of the Articles, with his Declaration prefixed to the same.

N the Year 1628 the famous Declaration of King Charles I. was prefixed to an Edition of the Articles, which he then caused to be published, probably (a) at the Instance of Archbishop Laud: and the said Declaration has been often reprinted with the Articles, not only in the Reign of King Charles I. but also in succeeding Times.

⁽s) See Dr. Heylyn's Life of him, p. 178.

'Tis observable, that Bishop Pearson, when he manifestly speaks of this very Declaration, (b) cals it the Declaration decimo Caroli; whereas it was certainly published, as the Title Page of the Copy F testifies, in 1628, which could not be more than quarto Caroli, whether you reckon by the Julian or by the Ecclesiastical Computation. I presume, the Occasion of this great and excellent Presate's Mistake was, that he used an Impression published in the Tenth of that King; which (because the Declaration bears no Date, and also has these Words, prohibiting the least Difference from the said Articles, which to that end we command to be new printed, and this our Declaration to be published therewith) he conclu-

ded to be the first Impression of it.

Since the Collation was printed, I find, that the Copies of the Impression in 1628 differ. For there is one in the Library of St. John's College in Cambridge, which differs from that which I was obliged to use when I made my Collation (for I did not then know, that any Copy of this Sort was to be found at St. John's in three Things. First, There is in St. John's Copy, a Comma after Heaven, contrary to what the Collation exhibits in Numb. 18. of the Fourth Article. Secondly, In the same Copy 'tis printed judgement (r being put for e) in the Thirty fourth Article. Thirdly, There is also in the same Copy a Semicolon after them; and these Words, which should immediatly follow, viz. and in such only as worthily receive the same, are totally omitted, which makes the Article in that Copy unintelligible. As for the first Instance, I believe, the Com-

⁽b) No Necessity of reforming the Doctrine of the Church of England, p. 340, 342. in the Bibliotheca Script. Eccles. Angl. Lond. 1709.

ma was originally fet, and that afterwards'twas either drawn by the Ball, or dropt out of Chace. I think the Workmanship discovers as much. In the fecond Instance (which is on the Backfide of C 2) and also in the third (which is on the Backfide of D 1) the Faults had manifestly been correced, after the Sheets of St. John's College Copy were wrought off. This needs no Proof. Wherefore the Copy in St. John's College Library, which I have fince diligently compared, is prior to that which I used when I made my Collation. This I thought my felf obliged to fignify; because in all other Particulars I express the Copies in that Library, as many as it could furnish me with.

But then, the two Copies I have used (and I presume, the whole Impression) differ from the

Editions of 1571 in the following Instances.

First, In the Title Page, of which see the Col.

lation.

Secondly, In the Titles and Bodies of diverse Articles, as appears by the following Table.

1571.

Art. N°.

is it. 3. 11. it is.

6. 24. requisite neces- requisite or necessary. fary.

129. account them for

canonicall. 8. 6. Nicene Creed.

9. 3. or birth Sin.

14. 44. we be.

15. 18. the Lamb.

27. 7. but is also.

28. but is repugnant.

27. of holy Scripture. of the holy Scripture. account them canonicall.

1628.

Nice Creed. Birth or Sin.

we are.

a Lamb. but it is also.

but it is repugnant.

B b 4

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29. 3. which do not eat.

31. 7. is the perfect.

35. 46. of repairing.

36. 33. superfittions or ungodly.

37. 44. of Sacraments.

55. doth.

which eat not.

is that perfect.

of the repairing.

fuperstitious and ungodly.

of the Sacraments,

do.

Thirdly, In the Ratification,

N°. 19. Hands. Hand. our Lords

Fourthly, In the Table,

N°. 8. of original Sin.

21. of general.
27. of the Unworthiness

of the original Sin.

of the general.

of the Worthiness.

And 'tis to be noted, that the Editions of 1630 and 1642, do agree with that of 1628, in all the foregoing Instances, except that in Art. 33. of the second, that of Numb. 24. of the third, and that of Numb. 27. of the fourth Sort.

I must add, that in Art. 6. Numb. 111. the genuin Copies of 1571 read Song; whereas the spurious ones of that Year read the Song; and the Impressi-

on of 1628 agrees with the latter.

Now I am persuaded, that whoever considers the foregoing Instances (except the first Sort, viz. those in the Title Page, of which I shall soon take particular Notice) provided he is in any measure acquainted with Printing, will need no Argument to convince him, that every one of these Particulars (several of which are only Transpositions of Words,

Words, which may be indifferently placed either Way; others are manifest. Blunders, and all the rest are such as happen every day in all sorts of Books, without any previous Intention to create them) might easily happen by mere Chance. Or, if any one of them was designed, the Variation was probably made by the Corrector of the Press, who without regarding any authentic Copy, made the English run as his Fansy judged it ought, or as he thought the Sense required. And when Mistakes were once introduced, no wonder that the King's Printers continued them by copying their own last

Impressions.

However, we have not the least Ground to think, that any fort of Authority ever interpos'd in this Matter, and occasioned the aforesaid Variations. And confequently 'tis notorious, that notwithstanding the several Instances before recited. no substantial Alteration of, Addition to, or Substraction from, the Articles of 1562, as they stood revised by Authority in 1571, has ever been made fince the Year last named. For the Variations in the Impression of 1628, and others of a later Date, are arrant Trifles, and fuch as do not make any substantial Difference, even to the smallest Word. So that the admirable Bishop Pearson had the justest Reason to use these (a) Expressions, I do absolutely deny, that there is any substantial Alteration of, or Addition to, those Articles mentioned in the Act of the Thirteenth of Eliz. and do affert, that the Articles to which the late King's Declaration was affixed, are the same with them in Number, Nature, Substance, and Words (viz. in all things substantial) as I am assured, baving my self diligently collated them with an Edition of the Articles printe

⁽a) No Necest. &c. p. 383.

by Richard Jugge and John Cawood, Printers to the Queens Majesty in Anno Domini 1571. And (a) again, I can aver as I have done before, that the Articles now in force are the same with the Articles comprized in a Book imprinted when the Ast was made, without any the least (that is, as the Bishop had beforehand explained himself, without any the least substantial) Alteration.

As for the Title Page, 'ris manifestly agreeable to that in 1571, as it was set in the first Copies; and therefore I presume it was taken from one of those Copies, before 'twas altered to what it appears in D, G, H, I, K (see Chap. 23. p. 323, &c.) and other Editions in after times. And indeed, were it possible, or worth my while, to search all the intermediate Editions between 1571 and 1628, I am apt to think, I might trace out a good Number of the foregoing Variations in the Text, Ratification, and Table:

CHAP. XXVIII.

Whether the Clergy were required to subscribe the Articles of 1562, before the Year 1571; with Reslections on some gross Falshoods invented and published by Dr. Calamy in the Second Part of his Desense of moderate Nonconformity.

E have now seen, how the Text of the Articles was finally setled both in Latin and English; and may therefore proceed to inquire, whether the Clergy were obliged to subscribe them before the samous Act of the Thirteenth of Elizabeth, Chap. 12. was passed.

⁽a) Ibid. p. 385.

It may not be amiss to premise, that in the Reign of King Edward VI. after the Articles of 1552 were published, the Cambridge Visitors required all Doctors and Batchelors of Divinity, and Masters of Arts, to swear to, and subscribe, the said Articles, before their Creation. This appears by their Letter of June 1. 1553, now extant in Bennet College Library. There was also an Order of Council, bearing Date 11th June, 70 Regni, which required the Bishops and Clergy to subscribe them. A Copy of this Order is now extant in the Registry of Norwich, with several Subscriptions made in pursuance of it. These Papers are printed at large in the Third Volume of the Bishop of Sarum's History of the Reformation.

After Queen Elizabeth ascended the Throne, tho' no Subscription appears to have been made to King Edward's Articles, yet a Declaration of certain Articles of Doctrine was printed, which all Parsons, Vicars and Curates were injoined to read at their Entry upon their Cures. Afterwards the Articles of 1562 were agreed on and published; and tho' there was at present no Law or Canon that expressly required Subscription to them; yet it must be remembred, that in 1 Eliz. Ch. 1. which restores all ancient Jurisdiction to the Crown, we

have this Clause;

And that your Highness, your Heirs, and Successors, Kings or Queens of this Realm, shall have full Power and Authority by Virtue of this Act, by Letters Patents under the Great Seal of England, to assign, name, and authorize, when and as often as your Highness, your Heirs or Successors shall think meet and convenient, and for such and so long time as shall please your Highness, your Heirs or Successors, such Person or Persons, being natural born Subjects to your Highness, your Heirs or Successors, as your Majesty, your Heirs or Successors.

ceffors shall think meet, to exercise, use, occupy and execute, under your Highness, your Heirs and Successors, all manner of Jurisdictions, Priviledges and Preheminences in any wife touching or concerning any Spiritual or Ecclefiastical Furisdiction, within these the Realms of England and Ireland, or any other your Highness Dominions and Countries. And to visit, reform, redre's, order, correct and amend all juch Errors, Heresies, Schisms, Abuses, Offences, Contempts and Enormities whatseever, which by any manner of Spiritual or Ecclesiastical Power, Authority or Jurisdiction can or may lawfully be reformed, ordered, redressed, corrected, restrained or amended, to the Pleasure of Almighty God, the increase of Vertue, and the Conservation of the Peace and Unity of this Realm; and that such Person or Persons so to be named, affigned, authorized and appointed by your Highness, your Heirs or Successors, after the said Letters Patents to him or them made and delivered, as is aforefaid, shall have full Power and Authority by Virtue of this Act, and of the said Letters Patents, under your Highness, your Heirs and Successors, to exercise, use and execute all the Premises, according to the Tenor and Effect of the said Letters Patents; any Matter or Cause to the contrary in any wife notwithstanding.

Upon this Clause the High Commission Court was erected; and it continued till the Seventeenth of King Charles I. when this Clause was repealed.

Now its evident from the Power therein given them, that the High Commission might, if they pleased, require the Clergy to subscribe the Articles of 1562: but the Question is, whether they actually did so. The Clergy were indeed required to subscribe the Protestations in the Advertisements of 1564, and diverse of them were deprived for resulting Complyance; and I have reason to think, that in the Year 1564, the London Clergy were required by the High Commissioners to subscribe the Articles

Articles of 1562: but I don't find any sufficient Ground to believe, that Subscription to the Articles of 1562, was required of all the Clergy in general, before the famous 13 Eliz. c. 12. injoined it in 1571.

It may be objected perhaps, that Dr. Fuller (b) fays, Hitherto the Bishops had been the more sparing in pressing, and others the more during in denying Subscription. because the Canons made in the Convocation 1562 (he must mean of the Julian Computation) were not for nine Years after confirmed by Act of Parliament. But now the same being ratifyed by Parliamental Authority, they began the urging thereof more severely than before. This Passage is very obscure. But upon supposition that he speaks of Subscription to the Articles of 1562. and that his Words imply, that the Bishops required Subscription to those Articles before the Year 1571; yet I can't admit his Testimony for Proof. who betrays such gross Ignorance in this Matter. For 'tis notorious, that no Canons were passed by the Convocation in 1562 (call it 1563, if you please) and that the Parliament of 1571 never confirmed any fuch Canons.

But Dr. Calamy (c) tels us roundly, That before the Year 1571 all the Clergy were required to subscribe the Articles of 1562, and that at first this Subscription was readily agreed to. This he afferts with such an Air, that one would think he has some Ground for it. And I have earnestly intreated him by private Letters, to communicate the same (with some sew other Notices) to me. I am well affured, those Letters came to his Hands; but I could never obtain any Answer. And I believe he had good Reason to deny me that common Civility; for I am mo-

⁽b) Church Hist. Book 9. p. 102.

⁽c) Defense of Moderate Nonconf. Part 2. p. 107.

rally certain, that this and diverse other Narrations concerning the Articles, which he has printed as confidently as if he had some written or printed Papers to vouch them, can't be warranted otherwise than by the Memoirs in his own Brain. will descend to Particulars; and I intreat him, if he can, to wipe off the Reproach they will cast on him.

He (d) saies, The first Subscription that was required. was only to the Articles of Religion drawn up and agreed to in the Convocation in 1562. All the Members of that Convocation were first required to subscribe; and all the Clergy afterwards: the there was neither Law nor Canon for it. This was refused by the famous John Fox the Martyrologist, who declared be would subscribe to nothing but the New Testament in the Original. Generally however it was at first readily agreed to. But such Changes and Alterations were afterwards made in these Articles, that many even of the Body of the Clergy refused to subscribe them a second time in the Convocations in 1566 and 1571.

Let us now take this Paragraph in Pieces. former Parts of it are of less Moment; however I

will go through them.

That the Members of the Convocation in 1562 did subscribe the Articles they agreed on, is certain. For they passed them by Subscription, as I have shewn. And I am willing to suppose (because I am resolved to put the most favorable Construction upon his Words) that this is all the Doctor means by their being required to subscribe them. For that they were otherwise required to subscribe them, as Members of Convocation, is a mere Chimera. And as for all the Clergy's being required to subscribe them afterwards, I have already declared

my Opinion; tho' I will unfeignedly thank the Doctor, or any other Person whatsoever, for better Information.

He adds, that all the Clergy were required to Subscribe them, tho' there was neither Law nor Canon for it. Strange! I have shewn that the High Commissioners had Power to require Subscription by the First of Elizabeth, Chap. r. So that with the Doctor's Leave there was Law for it, if the High Commissioners had been pleased to exact it. And I can refer the Doctor to a certain Author, who affirms, that there was Canon for it too. 'Tis no other than the Doctor himself, who within the Compass of a few Pages (e) affirms, that the Convocation (speaking of the Times before 1571; nay, as the Context shews, even before 1564) required the Articles to be subscribed. You see, there was in Fact no Canon for Subscription, tho' the Doctor both denies and affirms it; and there was in Fact a Law for Subscription, tho' the Doctor denies it. Methinks, he should have spared the Pains of contradicting himself in Stories of his own Invention.

He adds farther, that the famous John Fox refufed this Subscription to the Articles, and declared he would subscribe to nothing but the New Testament in the Original. Now I own, that J. Fox made that Declaration, and resus d a Subscription then required of him: but that the Subscription he resused, was a Subscription to the Articles, I beg leave to disbelieve, till I have better Evidence for

it, than our Author's bare Affirmation.

Now follows a fhort Passage crammed with the most parpable Falshoods. He very gravely, and without blushing, discovers to the World, that such Changes

⁽e) Page 113.

and Alterations were afterwards made in these Articles (viz. of 1562) that many even of the Body of the Clergy refused to subscribe them a second time in the Convocations in 1566 and 1571. Good God, what will not some Men dare to print? 'Tis evident even to Demonstration, that the Articles of 1562 were never changed or altered, even in the fmallest Punctilio. till they were revised in 1571. Nor were they ever laid before the Convocation of 1566. And the Autographal Subscription of the Convocation of 1571 to the same Articles, even before their Revifal, is still extant; and I have printed it at large in the Twentieth Chapter. And yet our Author, by the help of some invisible Records, has Courage enough to deny all these plain Matters of Fact; and to dress up an opposite Romance, embellish'd with fuch remarkable Circumstances, as if he himself had been present, and beheld with his own Eyes that fairy Scene. I must own, I can't persuade my self. that he has the Testimony of any one Writer in the World, for any one of these Particulars; tho' I should be very glad, for his own sake, to find my self mistaken. However, till he produces his Authorities, these shameless Forgeries must be charged upon himself. I do therefore fairly challenge him to shew, from any Writer whatsoever, either printed or MS. that he had the least Shadow of Reason for any one of these Assertions. How does he prove, that any the least Change or Alteration was made in the Articles of 1562, before the Revifal in 1571? Where did he learn, that the Articles were ever offered for Subscription to the Convocation of 1566? Who told him, that any one Member of that Convocation, or of the Convocation in 1571, refused to subscribe the Articles? Or if they did refuse, how shall it appear, that they refused to sub**f**cribe

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Scribe upon the Account of Changes and Altera-

tions in the Articles?

But to proceed. He (f) tels us, that the Parliament passed the Act of the Thirteenth of Elizabeth, Chap. 12. to stop farther Rigors, and to fut an end to the Severity of the Rishops. Where did our Author find this? Dr. Fuller, whom he fometimes quotes, (g) cals this Law a sharp Edict against Nonconfermists. And indeed, fince 'tis notorious, that the Bishops had the Laws on their fide for what they did; the Parliament certainly took an odd Way to stop Janther Rigors, and to put an end to the Bishops Severity, by making a new Law to enforce Conformity, without repealing any one Syllable of what had been formerly enacted. But our Author was resolved to brand the Bishops; tho' he had not Patience enough to work up his Malice to an Appearance of Truth. However, I will whifper one thing in his Ear. The Bishops were so far from esteeming this Act a Diminution of their Power, and a Check to their Proceedings, that they themselves were most earnest Promoters of it, even in the Year 1566, when the Bill was first brought in; as our Author may be pleased to understand from that Petition of theirs, which I have printed at large in the Eighteenth Chapter.

In the fame, and in the following Paragraph, our Author has imparted other great Secrets. He saies, that the Act of the Thirteenth of Elizabeth, Chap. 12. requires the Clergy to subscribe to those Articles only, that concern the true Christian Faith and Doctrin of the Sacraments; and that this Subscription passed smoothly: whereas the Convocation

⁽f) Page 110. (g) Church History, Book 9. p. 98.

made a Canon to oblige to a Subscription to all the Articles, as well those relating to Rites and Ceremonies, Order and Polity, as those that concerned the Christian Faith and the Doctrin of the Sacraments; and that this Subscription was refused by many because of what was added in the Twentieth Article, &c. Now I shall soon shew, that the aforesaid Statute obliges the Clergy to subscribe all the Thirty nine Articles. What I at present take notice of, is, that the Doctor speaks of a double Subscription; one to some Part of the Articles, which (he faies) past smoothly; the other to all the Articles, which (he faies) many refused, particularly because of what was added in the Twentieth Article, &c. Here again he reports pretended Matters of Fact, for which I challenge him to produce his Vouchers. He bears us in hand, that his first fort of Subscription passed smoothly; and one would therefore think it was general. As for his second fort of Subscription, 'twas indeed required by the Canon of 1571 (and, with his Leave, 'twas the very same that is required by the Statute too) but I challenge him to prove, that it was refused by many, nay, by fo much as one Clergyman before the Year 1573, upon the account of what he prerends was added in the Twentieth Article. That the Controverted Claufe, which is the pretended Addition, is a genuin Part of the Twentieth Article, I have already shewn: and how soon that Clause became Matter of Scruple, and an Objection against Subscription, I can't precisely determin. But that it was a Reason for any one Man's refufing Subscription before the Year 1573 (as the Do-ctor's Context necessarily implies) I am yet to learn; and I will be much obliged to him for convincing me, that it was a Bone of Contention fo early

early as Twenty Years after the Date he so peremi-

ptorily affigns.

By this time, I prefume, the Reader has sufficiently admired the Doctor's fruitful Invention. I will now shew, how greatly he excels in another Quality, viz. how prettily he can falsify what he can't but have read.

He (b) saies, In 1573, a Subscription was required by Archbishop Parker, and several other Diocesans, to

three or four Articles of this Tenor.

I. I acknowledge the Book of Articles agreed upon by the Clergy of this Realm, in a Synod holden An. Dom. 1562, and confirmed by the Queen's Majesty, to be sound, and according to the Word of God.

2. The Queen's Majesty is the chief Governor next under Christ of this Church of England, as well in Ecclest-

aftical as in Civil Causes.

3. I acknowledge, that in the Book of Common Prayer there is nothing Evil or repugnant to the Word of God, but that it may well be used in this our Christian Church of England.

4. I acknowledge, that as the public Preaching of the Word in this Church of England is sound and sincere, so the public Order and Administration of Sacraments is conso-

nant to the Word of God.

These were the most common Heads then required to be subscribed. But they were varied in several Dioceses. For each Bishop added what he thought Good to the particular Form he sent to his Clergy. The Articles which those three noted Persons, Mr. Dering, Mr. Greenham, and Mr. Johnson, were called upon to subscribe, which I have considered and compared, differed in several things one from another.

⁽h) Pag. 111, 112.

Now I am fully persuaded, that the sour Articles above recited are no where extant, but in that Paper of Mr. Dering's, which is printed in the Part of a Register, p. 81, &c. And if the Doctor transcrib'd them from thence (let him deny it, if he can) pray, observe the Consequence.

He fays, this Subscription was required by Archbishop Parker and several other Diocesans: whereas that very Paper of Mr. Dering's shews, that those Articles were proposed to him (see p. 85.) by a Friend of the Earl of Leicester's (and every body knows, that the Archbishop and that Earl were far from being Friends) on purpose to try, how far Mr. Dering would be willing to yield in order to his Restoration to the discharge of his Function. The Story in short was this. Dering being a troublesom Puritan, had been examin'd by the Privy Council (i) upon several Articles taken out of Cartwright's Writings; and he thereby appeared a Person of dangerous Notions. Asterwards some powerful Friend of his fent him the four Articles before mention'd, that he might perfectly understand, what Complyances he would make to purchase his Peace. Dering sent back his (k) Answer; and was thereupon admitted by the Privy Council, to the great Grief (1) of the High Commissioners, to read the Lecture in St. Paul's: With what Face then could Dr. Calamy affert, that Archbishop Parker and feveral other Diocesans requir'd a Subscri-

ption

⁽i) See them in Part of a Register, p. 73, &c. and compare the second Paragraph of a Letter written by Archbishop Parker and Bishop Sandys, printed by Mr. Strype in his Life of Archbishop Parker, Book 4. Chap. 28. p. 433.

(2) 'Tis printed in Part of a Register p. 81, &c.

⁽¹⁾ See Bishop Cox's Letter to the Treasurer, printed by Mr. Strype, ibid. Chap. 35. p. 452.

ption (viz. of their Clergy) to the Articles offered

to Mr. Dering?

The Doctor adds, that he had confidered and compared the Articles, which Mr. Dering, Mr. Greenham, and Mr. Johnson, were called upon to subscribe; and that they differed in several things one from another. Now that the Articles offered to Mr. Dering and Mr. Johnson differed, is certain. Any Man may view them in (m) the Part of a Regifter. And no wonder that they differed. For those offered to Mr. Johnson were from the Bishop of Lincoln; and of those offered to Mr. Dering I have spoken already. But the Doctor fays, he has considered and compared the Articles offered to Mr. Greenham too. I wish heartily, that I could obtain the same Happiness. That Articles were offered to Mr. Greenham, his Paper shews; but that Dr. Calamy ever faw them (notwithstanding his positive Affirmation) I must own, I cannot believe. Let him refer to the place, if he ever did. They are not in Mr. Greenham's (n) Paper, which (I verily think) furnished Dr. Calamy with what he knows of Mr. Greenham's Cafe.

I have cast these things together, tho' they belong to different Times; because I was unwilling to burden more than one Chapter with them. I was indeed obliged to lay open Dr. Calamy's most foul Practices (and I am really asham'd to find such Abominations in the Writings of one that professes himself a Christian) for fear unwary Readers should depend upon his Veracity, and be thereby inclin'd to distrust such Particulars as are sufficiently established in several Parts of this Book. The Doctor

(m) Pag. 81, 94.

⁽n) Pag. 81, 94. (n) Part of a Register, p. 86, &c: C C 2

relates his pretended Facts in such a manner, as implies, that he himself believes them true. Whether he does, or no, let the Reader now judge. If the Doctor thinks, that he does not deferve what I have written of him, I do hereby heartily invite him (and as far as good Manners would permit me, I have don my utmost to provoke him) to do himself Justice upon me.

I can't but add, that a Man who is able to coin the most flagrant Untruths in this plentiful manner, is certainly qualified, the best of any Person living, to record the Excellencies and Sufferings of

the Diffenting Teachers.

CHAP. XXIX.

Of the Beginning, Progress, and Passing of the Act of the Thirteenth of Elizabeth, Chap. 12.

ET us now consider the famous A& of the Thirteenth of Elizabeth Chap. 12. which put the Subscription to the Articles upon a different Foot.

Sir Simonds D'Ewes gives us a fummary View of the Proceedings of the Parliament of this Year touching Religious Matters, in the following (a)

Words.

Because the great Matter touching Religion and Church Government (of which the Passing the aforesaid Bill is the last Passage mentioned in the Original Fournal-Book of the House of Commons) was so religiously begun by the said

⁽a) Journal of the House of Commons in the Thirteenth of Queen Elizabeth, p. 184, 185. House

House in the former Sessions of Parliament, in An. 8. Regin. Eliz. and so zealously prosecuted in this present Parliament de An. 13. Regin. Eliz. therefore it shall not be amiss here to set down at large, once for all, the whole Proceeding of the same, altho' all in the Isine was dashed by her Majesty, persuaded unto it (as it should seem) by some sinister Counsel. The first Step therefore unto this Business, was upon Thursday the fifth Day of December in the said former Session of Parliament in the said eighth Year of her Majesty, when the Bill with the Articles printed 1562. for Jound Christian Religion had its first Reading; which in the Original Journal-Book of the House of Commons in this present Parliament is always called the Bill A, and in the Margent of the said Journal in An. 8. the said Letter A is expressed over against the Title of the said Bill. A second Step then followed in this their intended Reformation upon Friday the fixth Day of December in the said Session de An. 8. Regin. Eliz. when all these Bills following had each of them their first Reading, being there inserted in Manner and Form following, the Words only (the first Reading) being added instead of the Figure or Number (1.) set down in the Margent.

B. The Bill for the Order of Ministers, the first Reading.
C. The Bill for Residence of Pastors, the first Reading.

D. The Bill to avoid corrupt Presentations, the first Reading.

E. The Bill for Leases of Benefices, the first Reading.

F. The Bill for Pensions out of Benefices and Leases of

Benefices, the first Reading.

All which several Bills are no otherwise stiled in the Original Journal-Book of the House of Commons in this present Parliament, than the Bill B, the Bill C, &c. and therefore without Recourse to the aforesaid Journal of the same House in An. isto prædicto 8 Regin. Eliz. it could not have been possibly herein understood, what had been intend-

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ed thereby. Which last mentioned five Bills had no further Progress in the said Session of Parliament, by reason that it was diffolved foon after, on Thursday the second Day of January, but only the first beforecited Bill called the Bill A, had its second Reading on Tuesday the tenth Day, and its third and last Reading on Friday the thirteenth Day of December in the Same Session. After which the faid Bills so rested until the beginning of this present Parliament in An. 13 Regin. Eliz. when upon Friday the fixth Day of April foregoing these six Bills foregoing were again presented to the House, and a seventh Bill also, as is very probable, which was not at all read in the aforefaid last Session in An. 8 Regin. Eliz. which was the Bill read the third time this present Day, touching the Commutations of Penance by the Ecclesiastical Judge, and is always styled in the Original Journal-Book of the House of Commons the Bill G. And thereupon all the faid seven Bills touching Religion were referred to Committees to consider of them. And on the Day following, being Saturday, and the seventh Day of the same Month, the said Bills were read. The first Bill of them, stiled the Bill A, was delivered to the foresaid Committees, or Commissceners, and the Residue appointed to remain in the House, and that to stand for no Reading of any of them. Which great Caution doubtless the House of Commons did the rather observe in their Proceeding with these Bills touching the Reformation of Matters of Religion and Church Goverment, because they desir'd her Majesty might the more graciously interpret their Endewors, and give way to the passing of the said Bills. To which purpose also the Houle appointed two of their Members before their rifing that very Day, to have their Furtherance also for the same; who return'd their Answer on Thursday the 10th Day of the same Month, and advised the House of Commons to pray a Conference with the Lords for that purpose; which was accordingly had in the Afternoon of the same Day. And

And that Day also the second of the said seven Bills, stiled the Bill B, had its first reading, and was read the second time on Saturday the 28th Day of April, and the third time on Monday the 30th Day of the Same Month. On the morrow after the foresaid tenth Day of April, being the eleventh Day of the same Month, and Wednesday, the Bill D had its first Reading, being the fourth of the aforesaid seven Bills touching Religion: And on Wednesday the ninth Day of May its second Reading. And on Saturday the twelfth Day of May the Bill C, being the third of the said seven Bills, had its first Reading, and its second Reading on Monday the fourteenth Day, and its third Reading on Wednesday the sixteenth Day of the Same Month. The Bill E also, being the fifth of the Said seven Bills, had its first Reading on Friday the thirteenth Day of April, its second on Wednesday the second Day. and its third on Monday the seventh Day of May. For the Bill F, it appears not by the Original Journal-Book of the House of Commons, that it was at all read, altho' it concern'd Pensions out of Benefices, and Leases of Benefices. For the Bill G lastly, which was the seventh of the afore-(aid Bills touching Religion, it had its first Reading on Thursday the tenth Day of May; its second on Tuesday the fifteenth, and the third on this instant Thursday, being the seventeenth Day of the same Month, as is before set down. Altho' it is to be observ'd, that some of the Readings of the aforesaid Bills are omitted upon some of the said Days as Matters of no great Moment. Of which Bills also there was some treating on Wednesday the twenty fifth Day, and on Saturday the twenty eighth Day of April foregoing. But her Majesty on Thursday the first Day of May, by the Lords of the Upper House, declared unto the Committees of the House of Commons, who afterwards declared it to the House it self, that she approved their good Endewors, but would not suffer these things to be order'd by Parliament, Notwithstanding which Message,

as appears by the Reading of some of the said seven Bills afterwards, the House of Commons still proceeded, and baving pass'd two of the said Bills, viz. the Bills B and C, on Wednesday the sixteenth Day of May foregoing, and the Bill G this present Thursday, as is aforesaid, they sent them up to the Lords by Mr. Comptroller and others, as soon as the said Bill G had passed the House.

That the Bill A, which was the Bill for found Religion, with the Articles printed 1562, is the Twelfth Chapter of the 13th of Q. Eliz. which injoins Subscription; I believe, no body doubts. However, if any Person should chance to question it, I desire him to remember, that the Twelfth Chapter of the 12th of Eliz. was certainly passed this Parliament; and that there is no Footstep of any other Act, which does or can bear that Name, that passed at that time. I confess, the Title in Sir S. D'Ewes's Tournal is different from that in the Statute Book. But that is no Objection, as any Man will perceive, who is in any measure acquainted with that Journal. The learned Baronet denominates this Act from the Purport of it, which is, as the printed Preamble testifies, that the Churches might be ferv'd with Pastors of sound Religion.

Nor can it be pleaded, that Sir Simonds saies in the Passage above, that all in the Issue was dash'd by the Queen, and consequently the said Act for sound Religion was not passed. For then we must suppose, that tho' this Act was not passed, yet an Act to the very same Purport did pass in that very Parliament, altho' there is not the least Shadow of it any where extant; which is grossy unreasonable and absurd. When therefore he saies, that all in the Issue was dash'd by the Queen, and again, speaking of the same matter, all in the Issue came to nothing, p. 155. we must conclude, either that the

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Author had forgotten himself, and was mistaken in his summary View of these Proceedings touching Religion (tor this A&, and another about Leases, which were two of the seven A&s relating to Religion, were passed this Session, as our Statute Book shews; tho' the rest miscarried) or else that he meant, that the Proceeding in general touching Resormation, of which the two Bills aforesaid were Branches only, was dashed or rendred inessectual; because only two of the seven Bills passed, and whatever the Commons surther intended, was ut-

terly prevented.

The Truth is, the Queen was exceedingly averse to the House's meddling with Ecclesiastical Matters, the doing which she thought an Encroachment upon her Prerogative. And accordingly, as in the Passage above recited we find, that her Majesty on Thursday the first Day of May, by the Lords of the Upper House, declared unto the Committees of the House of Commons, who afterwards declared it to the House it felf, that she approved their good Endevors, but would not suffer these things to be order'd by Parliament: So in the Commons Journal for the first of May, we read that Mr. Serjeant Barham and Mr. Attorney General did desire from the Lords, that a convenient Number be sent presently unto their Lordships from this House for answer touching Articles for Religion. Whereupon my Lord Deputy of Ireland, Mr. Treasurer and divers others were sent for that Purpose, and had with them the four Bills last past, viz. The Bill against Fugitives, The Bill for Bristol, The Bill for Will. Skeffington, and the Bill for Shrewsbury: And afterwards return'd answer from the Lords, that the Queen's Majesty having been made privy to the said Articles, liketh very well of them, and mindeth to publish them, and bave them executed by the Bishops, by Direction of her Highness Regal Authority of Supremacy of the Church of England,

England, and not to have the same dealt in by Parliament, p. 180. And her Resolution continued the fame in feveral succeeding Parliaments. In the Commons Journal An. 14 Eliz. Anno Dom. 1572. for Thursday the twenty second of May we find, that the Speaker declared from her Majesty, that Her Highness Pleasure is, that from henceforth no Bills concerning Religion shall be preferr'd or received into this House, unless the same should be first considered and liked by the Clergy, p. 213. And in the Commons Journal An. 35 Eliz. Anno Dom. 1592, 1593. for Tuesday the Twenty feventh of February, Mr. Dalton speaking to a certain Bill said, His great Dislike was, that having receiv'd strait Commandment from her Majesty not to meddle with things concerning the Reformation of the Church and State of this Realm, therefore in his Opinion the Bill ought to be suppressed, p. 474. And the very next Day Mr. Speaker himself, amongst other Particulars, said thus, Her Majesty's Pleasure being then delivered unto us by the Lord Keeper, it was not meant we should meddle with Matters of State, or Causes Ecclesiaftical; for so her Majesty term'd them, she wondred that any could be of so high Commandment to attempt (I use her own Words) a thing so exprestly contrary to that which she had forbidden. Wherefore with this she was highly offended. And because the Words then spoken by my Lord Keeper are not now perhaps well remembred, or some be now here that were not then present, her Majesties present Charge and express Commandment is, that no Bill touching the said Matters of State or Reformation in Causes Ecclesiastical be exhibited. And upon my Allegiance I am commanded, if any such Bill be exhibited, not to read it, p. 479. However, tho' the Queen was certainly unwilling, that either Lords or Commons should take Ecclefiastical Matters into Consideration, and treat of them in Parliament; 'tis evident, that tho' fome fome others dropped which the Commons had passed, yet the Queen her self (for what Reasons does not appear) did condescend to pass two Acts

does not appear) did condescend to pass two Acts about Church Affairs this very Session, of which

that for Sound Religion was one.

But perhaps I might have spared my Pains in proving, what (I am perfuaded) every body allows. We refere taking it for granted, that the Bill A is the very Bill which injoins Subscription; let us confider, that, as Sir Simonds tels us, the Bill A was read by the Commons on the fifth, tenth, and thirteenth of December 1566, being the eighth of the Queen. And this exactly agrees with what he faies in the Journal of the Commons for those Daies, p. 132, 132. In which last Page we also find, that this Bill was fent to the Lords on Saturday the fourteenth of December 1566. And it appears from the Lords Journal of that Year, that twas read that very Day, p. 111. So that this very Bill was actually pass'd by the Commons, and depending in the Lords House, in December 1566. Now fince we are told, that this was the same Bill A, which was brought into the Commons House again on the fixth of April 1571; and fince the particular Readings of it in that Parliament (except the Reading on April the feventh, which was order'd to stand for none at all) are not recorded: 'tis possible some may imagin, that the Commons never read it more, it having passed their House in the Parliament of 1566; and that it wanted only to pass the Lords (by whom it had been once read in the same former Parliament) and to recieve the Royal Assent in this Parliament of 1571.

But then, it must be remembred, that the foregoing Supposition is quite contrary to the present Practice of Parliament; according to which what-

ever Bills did not receive the Royal Affent in a former Session, even tho' they had pass'd both Houses, must begin anew, as much as if they had never been heard of before; otherwise they cannot be enacted. I have not skill enough to affign the Time, when this Practice began. My Lord Chief Justice Coke (b) saies, The Diversity between a Prorogation and an Adjournment, or Continuance of the Parliament, is, that by the Prorogation in open Court there is a Session; and then such Bills as pass'd in either House or by both Houses, and had no Royal Assent to them, must at the next Assembly begin again, &c. For every several Sefsion of Parliament is in Law a several Parliament: but if it be but adjourn'd or continued, then is there no Seffion: and consequently all things continue still in the same State they were in before the Adjournment or Continuance. In this Passage that great Man (for I am not willing to mention any later Author) declares what was in his Time accounted a fetled Rule and the fixed Course of Parliament. And he delivereth himself in such a Manner, as fairly intimates, that in his Opinion 'twas anciently fo. For furely, had he known of any Difference, especially so late as Queen Elizabeth's Days were, when he wrote (who was also an eminent Lawyer in her time) he would have observ'd it.

But I shall produce plain Facts. The Bishop of Sarum (c) gives us the following Account of the Repeal of the Attainder of Cardinal Pool. The first Bill put into the Lords House, was the Repeal of the Attainder of Cardinal Pool: it began on the seventeenth, and was sent down to the Commons on the nineteenth, who read it three times in one Day, and sent it up. This Bill

⁽b) Inflitut. 4. Cap. 1. p. 27.

⁽c) Hist. Reform. Vol. 2. p. 291.

being to be passed before he could come into England, it was questioned in the House of Commons, whether the Bill could be passed without making a Session, which would necessitate a Prorogation. It was resolved it might be done; so on the twenty second the King and Queen came and passed it. But I will give the Reader the very Words of the Journal.

Mercur. 21. (viz. of Novemb. 1, and 2. Ph.

and Mar.)

The Bill for Cardinal Pool sent up to the Lords by

Mr. Treasurer and Mr. Speaker.

Mr. Treasurer declared, that the King and Queen would be to morrow Afternoon in the Parliament House to give their Assent to that Bill.

Upon a Question asked in the House, if upon a Royal Assent the Parliament may proceed without any Prorogation,

it is agreed by Voice, that it may.

Again, in the famous Case of Sir Thomas Shirley, in the first Parliament of King James I. the Commons desiring of the Lords by a Message, that a speedy End might be put to the Bill for enabling the Warden of the Fleet to set Sir Thomas at Liliberty, and for securing the said Warden from an Action of Escape for so doing, the Lords, as appears by the Journal, made this Answer on the 28th of April, viz.

Sir Thomas Shirley's Bill hath already had two Readings: but the House made doubt, how his Majesties Assent may be given; which being to be done but two Waies, viz. either by his Majesties Presence, or by Commission, the House doth hold the first unsit, that his Majesty should in Person come on purpose to pass a private Bill; and for the second, concerning Assent by Commission, some doubt is conceived, whether the King's Royal Assent to one Bill apart,

do not conclude the Session.

Now it must be observed, that the Lords could not suspect any Difference between the King's pasfing the Bill in Person, and his passing it by Commission. For the King's passing a Bill by Commisfion is expresly declared as valid, as his passing it in Person, by 33 Hen. VIII. c. 21. Their Doubt was therefore, whether the King's passing it at all (whether in Person or by Commission) wou'd not conclude the Session. And yet this very Bill was passed (for Sir Thomas sate in the House on the 15th of May) and the Session was not thereby concluded. 'Twas resolved therefore, that the King's passing a Bill did not conclude a Seffion. And the Reason of their Debate was manifestly this; they apprehended, that by the King's passing Sir Thomas's Bill a Stop would be put to all the other Bufiness then depending in both Houses; for that they should be obliged to begin every thing de novo, if the Seffion were thereby concluded.

Thefe are clear Cases. And doubtless the Practice did not vary in the intermediate Space of Queen Elizabeth's Reign, tho' I cannot furnish the Reader with Precedents in Confirmation of Wherefore I conclude that the Bill A (tho' in Substance, and perhaps in Words, the very same with that which passed the Commons in 1566) began de novo, when 'twas brought into that House again on April the 6th 1571; and that tho' fome of the Readings of the Bill touching Religion were omitted in the Original Journal Book (as S. S. D'Ewes observes) as Matters of no great moment; yet the Omission of the Readings of the Bill A, which was most certainly of great moment, must rather be imputed to the Negligence of the Clerc of the

House.

CHAP. XXX.

What Edition of the Articles we are oblig'd to subscribe by the Act of the 13 Eliz. Chap. 12.

THE Statute which injoins Subscription, requires us to subscribe the Articles comprized in a Book imprinted, intituled, Articles, whereupon it was agreed, &c. 'Tis manifest therefore, that we are by this Statute requir'd to subscribe the Articles in English. But then there being a Diversity in the English Copies (some being of the old, others of the new Translation; some that have, others that have not, the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article) let us consider, what Copy our Legislature

confines us to.

'Tis certain, that when this Bill was depending in the Parliament of 1566, and when the Bishops were so desirous to obtain the Royal Assent, as I have already shewn; there was no other than the old Translation extant, and that the Convocation were not at that time preparing a new one. So that, if the Bill had then passed, the Clergy had been obliged to subscribe the old Translation. But 'tis as certain, that whilft the Bill was depending in the Parliament of 1571, the Convocation did actually prepare and finish the new Translation; and that it was printed (at least) by the 4th of June. Nor could the new Statute about Subscription be printed fooner (in all Probability not fo foon) because all the several Acts receiv'd the Royal Assent on Tuesday the 29th of May. It will therefore bear an Inquiry, whether the Statute of this Year requires a Subscription to the old, or to the new Translation.

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'Tis plain, that the Title Page of the new Tranflation (after it was corrected, as I have shewn in the Twenty third Chapter) was precisely the same, as that of the old one; and consequently the Statute, which recites the Title Page at large, and gives us no other Description of the Book, may as well be understood of the new, as of the old Translation. The Words of the Statute therefore can't decide the Point before us.

As for the Circumstances, we know, that the Bill began in the Commons House; and that it was passed by them, and carried to the Lords (and probably twas also passed by the Lords) before the new Translation was finish'd by the Convocation. or even by the Bishops themselves, in whose House it began. And it may be imagined, that the Parliament would not oblige the Clergy to subscribe. what they themselves had never seen; and consequently that they intended the old Translation. But then on the other Hand it must be observ'd. that the Parliament could not possibly be ignorant, that the Convocation were preparing a new Tranflation; and that the Articles had never, before that Year, been pass'd by the Convocation otherwife than in Latin.

Now 'tis most notorious, that all the Corrections of the Titles of the particular Articles, as long as the Articles themselves were fix'd and certain, could create no manner of Dissiculty; the Design of the Act being to secure a Subscription, not to the Titles of the Articles, but to the Articles themselves. And 'tis exceedingly remarkable, that of all the differences between the Latin Text of Wolf, and that of Day, there are only sour (except such as might proceed from mere Chance) but what are exactly conformable to the English MS. signed by

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the Bishops on the 11th of May; and that even those sour are of no real Moment, nor could possibly create any Dissiculty to the Subscribers. This I have proved in the 22d Chapter, p. 310, 311. Wherefore, even before the Commons had passed the Bill, both Houses of Parliament could not but know, if they pleased, that the Latin Articles were still in Substance and Reality the very same as in 1562; and all the small Alterations therein, either actually made in Convocation, or intended to be made, were consequently such as the Parliament heartily approved, or at least had no Objection against.

This being the Case, since all that was afterwards done, related only to the Translation of the Articles; and fince the Parliament knew, that the Convocation meant (and probably had given them the fullest Assurances, that they were stedfastly resolv'd) to do no more than amend the old unauthentic Translation, and bring it in some remaining Instances (as they had already done in a great variety before) to a more thorough Conformity to the Latin Standard, which was actually fetled: how was it possible for either House of Parliament to scruple the Passing of that A&t, obliging the Clergy to subscribe the new Translation, with some few Particularities of which they might certainly trust the Bishops (who surely were the most proper Judges of fuch Matters) fince they knew the Original was not to be farther touched. And as for the Queen, there is no doubt, but she was from time to time acquainted with, and encouraged, all the Steps they took. Otherwise we may guess, what Courses her well known Disposition would have inclined her to. You see therefore, that as the Words of the Statute do equally admir both Translations; so the aforesaid Circumstances do

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not forbid us, but most certainly allow us, to understand it of the New one. Thus far, I think, eve-

ry thing is clear.

Let us now see, whether some Particulars do not turn the Balance, and give it manifestly, even necessarily, for the New Translation, and against the Old one. The Ratification expresly declares, in both Languages, that those Articles, viz. the Articles of 1562, as then revised in 1571, were to be holden and executed within the Realm, &c. Now the Old Translation differs very considerably from those revised Articles. For the whole Twenty ninth Article, tho' passed in 1562, is omitted in the Old Translation; not to mention other Instances. And consequently a Subscription to the Old Tranflation could not be a Subscription to the Articles then required by the Queen to be holden and executed. This Ratification therefore, which accompanied the Publication of the Articles, and was contemporary with the Publication of the Statute, is a manifest determination of the Question; it being the Queen's own Testimony (which surely will be admitted as decifive) that the New Translation in particular, which was prepared by the Convocation, and ratified by the Queen (whereas the Queen's Printers never durft pretend any thing like it in their Editions of the Old Translation; because the Queen had never authorized it) is to be subscrib'd in obedience to the New Statute. 2. Since both Houses of Parliament could not but know, that a New Translation was preparing in Convocation, and that the Queen was refolv'd to have it publish'd; and that the Convocation at the same time made a Canon injoining such a Subscription, as must necessarily be understood to relate to the Articles of 1562, as then newly revised by them: certainly had the Parliament not been contented and resolved to have the New Translation subscrib'd in obedience to their New Statute, they must and would have signified, that whatever Subscription was otherwise required, they insisted upon a Subscription to the Old Translation, which was actually imprinted, long before the Parliament was summon'd; and they would also have declared, that no other Subscription was an Act of Obedience to the New Statute. But the Parliament acted quite otherwise. The Words of the Statute admit the New as well as the Old Translation; and consequently these Considerations manifestly exclude the Old, and consine us to the New Translation.

I must add, that the there are several Editions of the Articles printed in this Year, as has been already shewn; yet they differ in nothing that is at all material, except the Controverted Clause of the Twentieth Article. And therefore since I have proved, that those Editions which have the Clause are genuin, and that those which want it are spurious; 'tis plain, that our Subscription is by this Statute confined to an English Edition, or a true Copy of an English Edition, printed this Year with the Controverted Clause in it.

CHAP. XXXI.

The Practice of Subscription since the Passing of the Thirseenth of Eliz. Chap. 12.

WHEN the aforesaid Statute was enacted, doubtless the Articles were accordingly subcribed. I have seen a Copy of the Articles belonging

longing to the Dean and Chapter of York, with a great Number of Names subscribed to it; and I perceiv'd by another Paper then communicated to me, that the first Subscriber was instituted on May 12. 1577. and consequently, I presume, he subscribed about that Time. This is the ancientest Monument of this Nature that I have met with.

But 'tis well known, that soon after Archbishop Whitgist came to the See of Canterbury, a very remarkable Controversy was started by a Book intituled, A Learned Discourse of Ecclesiastical Government, to which Bishop Bridges (then Dean of Sarum) replyed in a Book intituled, A Defence of the Ecclesiastical Government, Lond. 1587. This occasioned a Swarm of Pamphlets against that Author. Now whoever looks into that Dispute, will find the Writers on both (a) sides agreed, that the Clergy were then obliged to subscribe, what we commonly call Whitgist's Articles, which ran thus;

The Articles whereunto all such as are admitted to preach, read, catechife, minister the Sacraments, or execute any other Ecclesiastical Function, do agree and consent, and testifie the same by the Subscription of their Hands, viz.

1. That Her Majestie under God hath, and ought to have the Soveraigntie and Rule over all manner of Persons, within her Realms, Dominions, and Countries, of what State (either Ecclesiastical or Temporal) soewer they be: and that none other forraine Power, Prelate, State, or Potentate, bath or ought to have, any Jurisdiction, Power, Superiority, Preeminence, or Authority Ecclesiastical or Spiritual, within Her Majesties said Realms, Dominions, or Countries.

⁽a) See particularly Bishop Bridges's Defense, p. 33. and the Defense of the Godly Ministers, &c. written against Bishop Bridges, Lond. 1587: p. 75, 76, 81.

2. That the Book of Common Prayer and of Ordering Bishops, Priests and Deacons, containes in it nothing contrary to the Word of God, and that the same may lawfully be used. And that I my self who do subscribe, will use the Form of the said Book prescribed in public Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments; and none other.

3. That I allow the Book of Articles of Religion agreed upon by the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces, and the whole Clergy, in the Convocation holden at London in the Year of our Lord God 1562, and set forth by Her Majesties Authority: and do believe all the Articles therein contained to be agreeable to the Word of God. In witness whereof I have subscribed my Name.

I presume, this Form of Subscription was constantly used till the Year 1603; when 'twas, with a very small Alteration, injoined by the 36th Ca-

non, and continues to this very Day.

But then, it must be remembred, that there was another Subscription practised at the same time. A late (b) Author saies, I have now by me four several Subscriptions to the Articles, made by virtue of this Act in the Years 1582, 1584, and 1590, upon two printed Copies of the Articles of the Years 1581, and 1586 (both with the Contested Clause in them, to observe that by the way) which Subscriptions plainly include all the Articles, two of them in this Form, Ego his Articulis libenter subscripfi, the third more fully thus, Ego-----fubscribo absolute his Articulis, &c. contentis iisdem, and the last most of all in these Words, Ego----hisce Articulis, omnibusque & singulis contentis in eisdem absolute subscribo. And I have seen a Copy of the Articles (now in the Possession of the Revd. Mr. Lapthorn) bound up with a Quantity of Paper, containing

⁽b) Vindication of the Church of England, &c. in answer to Priesterast in Persection, Pres. p. 22.

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the Subscriptions of the Clergy of the Diocese of Canterbury (the ever memorable Mr. Rich. Hooker is one of them) beginning on Apr. 10 1592, and ending in 1599. So that, it seems, the Clergy were then required to subscribe the Articles twice, once as comprized in the third of Archbishop Whitgist's Articles, and once more to a printed Copy of them. The Reason for requiring this double Subscription I can't affign; but I think the Fact is

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I must add, that several Persons in the later part of Q. Elizabeth's Reign subscribed, either the Articles of Religion alone, or Archbishop Whitgift's Articles, the third of which comprized the Articles of Religion, with fuch Limitations, Declarations, &c. as either wholly excluded, or else eluded the Force of, some one, or more, or even the whole Number of them. Smith's (c) Case is a notorious Instance of this. Others may be found in the (d) Controversial Writers about Subscription in Q. Elizabeth's Time. To prevent this Mischief for the future, the Convocation of 1603 injoins, Can. 36. that whosoever will subscribe to the three Articles there recited, and which are almost Word for Word the same with those of Archbishop Whitgift, the third of which includes the Thirty nine Articles of Religion, he shall for the avoiding of all Ambiguities, subscribe in this Order and Form of Words, setting down both his Christian and Sirname, viz. I N. N. do willingly and ex animo subscribe to these three Articles above mentioned, and to all things that are contained in them. By this Means those Articles of Archbishop Whitgift, which were originally found-

⁽c) Dyer 23. Eliz. 377. b. Coke's Institut. 4. 324.
(d) See particularly the Defense of Godly Ministers, p. 119.

ed upon the Authority of the High Commission Court, were received in Effect into the Canon, and confirmed by the broad Seal; and for the future Subscription was made in a Form prescribed, not by the High Commission, but the Convocation; and no Subscription to a printed Copy of the Articles was for the future insisted on, that I know of.

CHAP. XXXII.

That the Thirteenth of Eliz. Chap. 12, obliges the Clergy to subscribe all the Thirty nine Articles of Religion.

BUT it has been question'd, both formerly and lately, whether the Statute of the Thirteenth of Eliz. obliges us to subscribe all the Thirty nine Articles, or only a Part of them. To state this Matter right, the first Paragraph of the Act must be recited. That the Churches of the Queens Majesties Dominions may be served with Pastors of sound Religion: Be it enacted by the Authority of this present Parliament, that every Person under the Degree of a Bishop, which doth, or shall pretend to be a Priest or Minister of God's Holy Word and Sacraments, by reason of any other Form of Institution, Consecration, or Ordering, than the Form set forth by Parliament in the time of the late King of most worthy Memory, King Edward the Sixth, or now used in the Reign of our most Gracious Sovereign Lady, before the Feast of the Nativity of Christ next following, shall in the Presence of the Bishop or Guardian of the Spiritualties of some one Diocess, where he hath or shall have Ecclesiastical Living, declare his Assent, and subscribe to all the Articles of Retigion, which only concern the Confession of the true Christi-

an Faith, and the Doctrine of the Sacraments, comprized in a Book imprinted, entituled, Articles, whereupon it was agreed by the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces, and the whole Clergy in the Convocation holden at London in the Year of our Lord God, a Thousand Five hundred Sixty and two, according to the Computation of the Church of Eng. land, for the avoiding of the Diversities of Opinions, and for the establishing of Consent touching true Religion, put forth by the Queens Authority: and shall bring from such Bishop or Guardian of Spiritualties, in Writing under his Seal Authentick, a Testimonial of such Affent and Subscription, and openly on some Sunday in the time of some publick Service, Afternoon, in every Church where by reason of any Ecclesiastical Living he ought to attend, read both the said Testimonial, and the said Articles, upon pain that every such Person, which shall not before the said Feast do as is above appointed, shall be (ipso facto) deprived, and all his Ecclesiastical Promotions shall be void, as if he then were naturally dead.

You fee, the Statute expressly requires a Subscription to all the Articles of Religion, viz. those agreed on in 1562, and comprized in a printed Book there specifyed. But then, because it immediatly sollows, which only concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith, and the Dostrine of the Sacraments; 'tis pleaded, that this Statute does indeed require a Subscription to such of the Articles as concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith and the Dostrin of the Sacraments; but whereas divers of them do not concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith and the Dostrin of the Sacraments, but relate to other Matters, therefore we are not required to

fubscribe those Articles

Now I think the natural and obvious Sense of the Act does directly oppose this Notion. For do but observe, how the Word only is placed and used. 'Tis manifestly an Adverb, and not an Ajective; and 'tis an Adverb demonstrative, not restrictive. Had the A& required us to subscribe those Articles of Religion only, which concern, &c. or those Articles of Religion which only concern, &c. then I confess the Word only, whether Adjective or Adverb, had been restrictive, and confined us to some, in opposition to others, of the same Number of Articles. But since the Act reduires us to subscribe to all the Articles of Religion, which only concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith and the Doctrine of the Sacraments, comprized in a Book, &c. without the Pronoun demonstrative those to point at a Restriction; 'tis to me very plain, that the Word only is demonstrative, or declaratory of the matter contained in the Articles; and confequently that the Word all must be taken in its full extent, there being nothing to limit or confine it. So that our Legislature did not intend to fignify, that some of the Articles of Religion do concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith and the Doctrin of the Sacraments, and that others of them do not: but it declares concerning all the Articles of Religion, that they do only concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith, and the Do-Arin of the Sacraments.

And this is indeed most strictly true. For the whole Number of Articles is nothing else but a Confession of the Truth, and consequently of the true Christian Faith or Belief, in opposition to the principal Errors, both ancient, and of later Date, particularly with respect to the Doctrin of the Sacraments, which had been principally perverted by the Church of Rome.

And indeed, it can't be conceiv'd, that our Legislature could mean otherwise. For since all our Thirty

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Thirty nine Articles are Articles of Religion only. and none of them meddles with any thing but what is determinable by Scripture; certainly had the Words of the A& implied, that some Articles of our Religion do not concern, either the Confession of the true Christian Faith, or the Doctrin of the Sacraments; then, as our Legislature would have been guilty of a gross Untruth and Slander, so surely that Bench of Protestant Bishops, which at that very time passed the Articles in Convocation, and were so zealous for the passing of this Act, would with all their Might have opposed so wicked a Statute.

I confess, it has been suggested, that the Point of Church Government, &c. are not Matters of Faith; and yet they are to be found in our Articles. it must be remembred, that whether the Point of Church Government, &c. may be reckon'd Fundamentals, or no; yet they are the Objects of Orthodox Belief, and very material Branches of Divinity, concerning which a Church ought to profess a true Faith. Wherefore the Word Faith must be taken in a large Sense, and not be restrain'd to the most esfential Points only, which are fundamentally requifite, and ordinarily necessary to Salvation. And tis notorious, that our Articles of Religion were intended for a Confession of the true Christian Faith in this large Sense. For 'twas the Practice of those Times for every setled reform'd Church to publish her Confession of what she esteem'd the true Christian Faith, in opposition to the Errors of Rome, and particularly to the Trent Creed. And all those Confessions of the true Christian Faith usually contained the respective Churches Determinations or Sense of the disputed Points of Religion. Nor is there any one Particular in all our Articles, but

but what may as well be a part of our Confession of the true Christian Faith; as very many Points in every other Churches Confession, are parts of what they respectively esteem'd the Confession of the true Christian Faith. Our Legislature therefore must be understood, as I have explain'd the Words of the Act; and the Doctrin of the Sacraments is added, not as some thing distinct from the true Christian Faith in general, but only to denote, that were explain, and in a manner remarkably full and express, our Church had delivered her Sense concerning the Doctrin of the Sacraments, as the greatness, warmth and importance of the Controversies then on foot

required.

But farther, if it were granted, contrary to what I have proved, that the Words of the Act are capable of a Restriction to some particular Articles; yet the Circumstances are such, as will not admit of that Restriction, but oblige us to explain them in as full a Sense as they can possibly bear; that is, to extend them to the whole Number of Thirty nine Articles. To make this evident, I would fain have one Question resolved. If Subscription be required to some, and not to others, of the Articles; how shall we know, which are to be subscribed, and which are not. 'Twill be said, perhaps, that those are not to be subscribed, which do not concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith, and the Doctrin of the Sacraments. But which are those? Has the Statute told you? Not a Syllable of that Matter. It tels you, they are comprized in a Book under fuch a Title; in which Book all the Articles are found printed together without any Mark of Difference. What then shall the Subject do? Shall he determin for himself, which may be left out? That is, Shall he determin, which of them.

them concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith and the Doctrin of the Sacraments? At this rate, the very same Subscription will be infinitely different from it self; and vary with the Mind of everySubscriber: Nor will it be possible for any one Mortal to know, whether he has conformed himfelf to the Statute; and consequently whether his own Preferment be void, or full. And can we suppose a Parliament so destitute of common Sense, as to make such a Law? If they intended to exclude any of the Articles, they were bound to specify which of them they excluded. Otherwise no Subject can be affured, whether he did, or did not. fulfil their Command, and subscribe as they required. This Confideration effectually proves, that they intended we should subscribe all the Articles comprised in the Book specifyed in the Act; even because they have not told us, which we may safely not subscribe.

I confess, there was once a Design on foot to strike out certain Articles, that the Clergy might not be obliged to subscribe them with the rest. This appears from a Passage of Mr. Wentworth's remarkable Speech in the Parliament of 1575, preserv'd by (a) Sir S. D'Ewes. This Gentleman (b) speaking of the Parliament of 1571 (for that of 1572, and that of 1575, were but different Sessions of the same Parliament) saies, I was among st others the last Parliament sent unto the Bishop of Canterbury for the Articles of Religion, that then passed this House. He ask'd us, why we did put out of the Book the Articles for the Homilies, Consecrating of Bishops, and such like? Surely, Sir, said I, because we were so occupied in other

⁽a) p. 236, &c. (b) p. 239. Col. 2.

Matters, that we had no Time to examine them, how they agreed with the Word of God. What ! Said he, Surely you mistook the Matter; you will refer your selves wholly to us therein? No, by the Faith I bear to God, faid I, we will pass nothing, before we understand what it is; for that were to make you Popes. Make you Popes who list, faid I; for we will make you none. From hence 'tis plain, that there was in this Parliament a Defign to strike out several of the Articles of 1562. This feems to have been the Occasion of adding the little Book to the Bill in the Parliament of 1566 (and probably in this of 1571) in which little Book, 'tis likely, those several Articles were mark'd. And had the Defign taken Effect, probably an Edition would have been published, containing only such Articles. as the Clergy would have been legally required to subscribe. Otherwise, how should the Subject have learnt, what Articles were struck out, and what not? If a Book had been affixed to the Record. and all the Articles had been accordingly marked therein; must every Subject from every County have Recourse to the public Record to know his private Duty? Would not the smallest Portion of Discretion therefore have obliged the Parliament to cause the Book to be printed with sutable Alterations, or Notes of Distinction? Or would they not have declared in the Body of the Act, how the Subject might be ascertained, what Articles they required him to subscribe, and which of them they did not exact Subscription to? Nay, would any Parliament that intended to fecure Obedience to their own Act (and 'tis plain, the Commons, in whose House it began, were very fond of this particular Bill) have forborn those necessary Meafures?

But nothing of this Nature was ever done. Any Man's Eyes may convince him, that nothing whatfoever, much less any printed Book, was ever tacked to the Record. And yet if that had been done, the Body of the Act contains no particular Specifications or Directions; nor was any one Copy of the Articles ever publish'd, from whence 'twas posfible for us to discover any one Clause or Syllable, which they would not oblige us to subscribe. This therefore demonstrates, that the Commons found the Bill would not pass, if they made Exceptions to any Articles; and that they therefore chose to drop the little Book, and leave the Precept general. whatever Clauses they had before inserted; being refolv'd, that the Clergy should be forced to subscribe all the Articles comprized in that Book, ra-

ther than not be forced to subscribe any.

Wherefore, tho' those Expressions in the A&. upon which this Objection is grounded, might well denote a Restriction to certain Articles, if care had been taken to specify Particulars: yet since they are also notoriously capable of being understood as a general Command equally extending to all the Articles which that Book contain'd (and which in the Opinion of the Legislature did only concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith, or Belief concerning principal Heads in Divinity, and the Doctrine of the Sacraments, which being a Matter of very great importance, and having been chiefly defiled by those Popish Corruptions from which we were at that time newly reformed, is particularly mentioned, tho' the former general Expression would sufficiently have implied or contained it) it follows, that our Legislature did undoubtedly intend to oblige us to subscribe every one of the Thirty nine Articles. For the Circumstances before mentioned are a convincing convincing Proof, that they would not endure any Limitation, but injoined a Subscription to the

whole Number of them.

What has been faid, I think, is abundantly fufficient to clear the Defign and Letter of the 13th of Eliz. However, I shall add a decisive Authority. which would filence all Scruples, if the Matter were otherwise obscure and doubtful. My Lord Chief Justice Coke has (c) these Words; I heard Wray, Chief Justice in the King's Bench, Pasch, 22 Eliz. report, that where one Smyth subscribed to the said Thirty nine Articles of Religion, with this Addition (so far forth as the same were agreeable to the Word of God) it was resolved by him, and all the Judges of England, that this Subscription was not according to the Statute of 13 Eliz. Because the Statute required an absolute Subscription, and this Subscription made it conditional; and that this Act was made for avoiding of Diversity of Opinions, G.c. and by this Addition the Party might by his own private Opinion take some of them to be against the Word of God, and by this means Diversity of Opinions should not be avoided, which was the Scope of the Statute, and the very Act it self made touching Subscription bereby of none effect.

I confess, Mr. Selden's Authority has been urged on the other fide. In his Table Talk he (d) fays, There is a Secret concerning the Articles: Of late Ministers have subscribed to all of them; but by Act of Parliament that confirmed them, they ought only to subscribe to those Articles which contain Matter of Faith, and the Doctrine of the Sacraments, as appears by the first Subscriptions. But Bishop Bancrost (in the Convocation held in King James's Daies) he began it, that Ministers should

⁽c) Instit. 4. Cap, 74. p. 324. (d) Under the Title Articles, &c. p. 3, 4. Lond. 1696.

fubscribe to three Things, to the King's Supremacy, to the Common-Prayer, and to the Thirty nine Articles; many of them do not contain Matter of Faith. Is it Matter of Faith how the Church should be governed? Whether Infants should be baptized? Whether we have any Property in our Goods? &c.

In the foregoing Passage there are two Parts, 1. His Interpretation of the 13th of Eliz. 2. His Account of the beginning of the Clergy's subscribing to all the Thirty nine Articles. As for the former, I oppose to it the Opinion of all the Judges of England, reported by my Lord Chief Justice Wray soon after the Statute was made, and before Mr. Selden was born, as 'tis recorded by my Lord Coke. Now if Mr. Selden's Authority were vastly greater than 'tis; yet furely that of all the Judges of England, who knew (and probably the greater part of them were personally concern'd in) the making of that Statute, will overbalance it. And as for the latter, plain matter of Fact confutes him, as I have evidently proved in the foregoing Chapter. And indeed, the Matter of Fact is so notorious, that Mr. Selden could not possibly be ignorant of it. Nor was it possible for him not to know that clear and decifive Cafe reported in my Lord Chief Justice Coke's Institutes. Wherefore, because Mr. Selden must otherwise be supposed to have spoken against his Conscience, I am persuaded, that the Editor of his Table talk has misreported him.

And I am still the more inclined to charge the soregoing Instances upon the Ignorance and Misapprehension of the Editor. Because in the former part of the said Paragraph he makes Mr. Selden say thus, The Nine and thirty Articles are much another thing in Latin (in which Tongue they were made) than they are translated into English; they were made at three

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feveral Convocations, and confirmed by AEt of Parliament fix or feven times after. This Passage (which together with that before recited, is all that we find under the head of Articles) contains a Bundle of such horrible and palpable Falsehoods, that as they are unworthy of a serious Consutation, so I am heartily unwilling to believe Mr. Selden capable of uttering them.

CHAP. XXXIII.

That those who subscribe the Articles, are obliged to believe them true.

ET us now confider the Importance of our Sub-fcription to the Articles; and inquire, whether they are to be subscribed as Articles of Belief, or as Articles of Peace. Some have thought (says the (a) Bishop of Sarum) that they are only Articles of Union and Peace; that they are a Standard of Doctrine not to be contradicted, or disputed; that the Sons of the Church are only bound to acquiesce silently to them; and that the Subscrib ption binds only to a general Compromise upon those Articles. that so there may be no disputing nor wrangling about them. By this means they reckon, that tho' a Man should differ in his Opinion from that which appears to be the clear Sense of any of the Articles; yet he may with a good Conscience subscribe them, if the Article appears to him, to be of such a nature, that the he thinks it wrong, yet it seems not to be of that Consequence, but that it may be born with, and not contradicted. Now as for the Articles agreed on in 1552, and publish'd by the Authority of King

⁽a) Exposition of the Articles, Introduct. p. 6.

Edward VI. in 1553, the aforesaid Bishop plainly (b) says, Those who subscribed, did either believe them to be true, or else they did grosly prevaricate. And his Lordship's Opinion is much confirm'd by the (c) Form requir'd by the Cambridge Visitors. But I will not enlarge upon this; because, as I have already shewn, our Subscription is confin'd to the Articles of 1562. I shall therefore prove, that with respect to these Articles, to use the (d) Words of the Prelate already mention'd, the Subscriptions of the Clergy must be considered as a Declaration of their Opinion, and

not as a bare Obligation to Silence.

This appears, first, from the Design of the Sub-Scription. The Articles were agreed on (and consequently are to be subscribed) as the Title expresfes it, for the avoiding of Diversities of Opinions, and for the Establishment of Consent touching true Religion. But how could they serve the aforesaid End, if those who subscribed them, were not supposed to profess the Belief of them? They were manifestly defign'd as a Test, to distinguish such as embrac'd the Reformation, from such as adhered to the Popish Corruptions; and that none might be allowed to minister in our Churches, who did not embrace the Establish'd Doctrins. But, if Men might subscribe what they did not believe, provided they would not publicly maintain their Errors; then the Pupilts might still Officiate, and none could distinguish the Orthodox from the Heterodox Pastors. In a Word, unless the Articles were believ'd by those that subscrib'd them, the same Diversities of

(d) Exposit. Introd. p. 8.

⁽b) Hist. Reform. Vol. 2. p. 169.
(c) The Form it self may be seen in their Letter of June 1.
1553, printed in the Bishop's Third Volume of the History of the Reformation.

Opinions would ftill continue; nor would there ever be the more Consent touching Religion, than

if those Articles had never been made.

But tho' the Title Page of the Articles would not afford us any Light with respect to the Sense of our Subscription to 'em; yet those Laws, Ecclesiastical and Civil, which injoin the Subscription, do put the Matter beyond all Question; and evidently demonstrate, that no Subscription could be meant or allowed, but such as imported a Belief of the Articles subscribed. For the Proof of this the bare Recital of the following Particulars is

abundantly sufficient.

That the Churches of the Queenes Majesties Dominions, may be served with Pastors of sound Religion, be it enacted by the Authority of this present Parliament, that every Person under the Degree of a Bishop, which doth or shall pretend to be a Priest, or Minister of God's holy Word and Sacraments, by reason of any other Form of Institution, Consecration, or Ordering, than the Form set forth by Parliament in the Time of the late King of most worthy Memory, King Edward the Sixth, or now used in the Reign of our most gracious Sovereign Lady, before the Feast of the Nativity of Christ next following, shall in the Presence of the Bishop or Guardian of the Spiritualties of some one Diocess where he bath or shall have Ecclesiastical Living, declare his Assent, and subscribe to all the Articles of Religion, which only concern the Confession of the true Christian Faith, and the Doctrine of the Sacraments, comprised in a Book imprinted, entituled, Articles; whereupon it was agreed by the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces, and the whole Clergy in the Convocation holden at London, in the Year of our Lord 1562, according to the Computation of the Church of England, for the avoiding of Diversities of Opinions, and for the establishing of Consent touching Ee 2

true Religion, put forth by the Queen's Authority; and shall bring from such Bishop or Guardian of Spiritualties, in Writing, under his Seal authentick, a Testimonial of such Affent and Subscription; and openly on some Sunday in the Time of some publick Service after noon in every Church where by reason of any Ecclesiastical Living he ought to attend, read both the said Testimonial, and the said Articles; upon Pain that every such Person which shall not before the said Feast do as is above appointed, shall be (ipfo facto) deprived, and all his Ecclefiaftical Promotions shall be void, as if he were then naturally dead. Stat.

12 Eliz. Ch. 12.

And that no Person shall hereafter be admitted to any Benefice with Cure, except he then be of the Age of Twenty three Years at the least, and a Deacon, and shall first have Subseribed the said Articles in presence of the Ordinary, and publickly read the Same in the Parish-Church of that Benefice, with Declaration of his unfeigned Affent to the same. And that every Person after the end of this Session of Parliament to be admitted to a Benefice with Cure, except that within two Months after his Induction, he do publickly read the said Articles in the same Church whereof he shall have Cure, in the time of Common-Prayer there, with Declaration of his unfeigned Assent thereto, and be admitted to minister the Sacraments within one Year after his Indu-Etion, if he be not so admitted before, shall be upon every such Default, ipso facto, immediately deprived. Ibid.

And that none shall be made Minister, or admitted to preach or administer the Sacraments, being under the Ago of Twenty four Years, nor unless he first bring to the Bishop of that Diocess, from Men known to the Bishop to be of found Religion, a Testimonial both of his honest Life, and of his professing the Doctrine expressed in the said Articles.

Ibid.

Episcopus quisque ante Calendas Septembris proximas, advocabit ad se omnes publicos Concionatores, quicunque

erunt in sua cujusq; Diocesi, & ab. illis repetet facultates concionandi, quas habent authentico sigillo consignatas, easq; vel retinebit apud se vel extinguet. Deinde, delectu illorum prudenter facto, quoscunque ad illam tantam functionem etate, doctrina, judicio, innocentia, modestia, gravitate, pares invenerit, illis novas facultates ultro dabit: ita tamen ut prius subscribant Articulis Christiana religionis publice in Synodo approbatis, fideing; dent, se velle tueri, & defendere doctrinam eam, que in illis continetur, ut consentientissimam veritati divini verbi. Liber quorundam Canonum, Anno 1571. in Sparrow's Collect. p. 225. Lond. 1675.

Quivis Minister Ecclesia, antequam in sacram functionem ingrediatur, subscribet omnibus Articulis de Religione Christiana, in quos consensum est in Synodo: & publice ad populum, ubicunque Episcopus jusserit, patesaciet conscien-tiam suam, quid de illis Articulis, & universa dostrina

Sentiat. Ibid. p. 222.

Imprimis vero videbunt (concionatores) ne quid unquam doceant pro concione, quod a populo religiose teneri & credi velint, nisi quod consentaneum sit doctrina veteris aut novi Testamenti, quodo; ex illa ipsa dostrina Catholici Patres & Veteres Episcopi collegerint. Et quoniam Articuli illi Religionis Christiana, in quos consensum est ab Episcopis in ligitima & sancta Synodo, jussu atque authoritate serenissima principis Elizabetha convocata & celebrata, haud dubie collecti sunt ex sacris libris Veteris & Novi Testamenti, & cum calesti doctrina, que in illis continetur, per omnia congruunt; quoniam etiam liber publicarum precum, & liber de inauguratione Archiepiscoporum, Episcoporum, Presbyterorum, & Diaconorum, nihil continent ab illa ipsa do-Etrina alienum; quicunque mittentur ad docendum populum, illorum Articulorum authoritatem & fidem, non tantum concionibus suis, sed etiam subscriptione confirmabunt. Ibid.

Deinde, nequis Episcopus posthac aliquem in sacros ordines cooptet nisi rationem fidei sua junta Articulos illos Religi-E e 4, anis.

onis in Synodo Episcoporum & Cleri approbatos Latino fermone reddere possit, adeo ut sacrarum literarum testimonia, quibus corundem Articulorum veritas innititur, recitare etiam valeat. Articuli pro Clero, in Synodo London. 1584. in Sparrow's Collect. p. 192.

I think the foregoing Passages (to which I could have added several others) are so full and clear. that they need no Comment. Those who were obliged to bring a Testimonial of their professing the Doctrin of the Articles, and give an Account of their Faith according to the Articles, and be able to prove the Truth of them by Texts of Scripture, were notwithstanding afterwards obliged to Subscribe them, as the last Test and the utmost Security the Church required. And could they then be supposed not to believe what they subscrib'd? Preachers did not only subscribe, but also engage themselves to defend and maintain the Doctrin of the Articles, as most agreeable to God's Word. And furely then they believed the Articles to be true. Those who had subscribed, were upon some Occasions bound to declare their Consciences concerning the Articles, and their unfeigned Affent to them, before a Congregation. And could they do this, when they disbelieved the Doctrins contained in them? Nay, by the very Action of Subscription a Man is in Law, and by express Statute, supposed to declare his Affent to the Articles; and his Subscription is the Witness of that Assent. But what does or can an Assent in this Case mean? Are not the Articles a Collection of Doctrins or Propositions? And can a Man affent to Doctrins or Propositions, and yet not believe them? But in a Word, Preachers are requir'd to confirm the Authority and Belief of the Articles, not only in Preaching, but also by Subscription. This shews, that our SuperiSuperiors thought Subscription to be a Confirmation of the Authority and Belief of the Articles. And accordingly, what the English Copy of the Canons of 1603 cals subscribing unto the Articles, is in the Latin express'd by subscribing in eorum veritatem, that is, subscribing to the Truth of the Articles, Can. 5. And subscribing to the Articles in the English Copy of the 127th Canon of the same Year, is in the Latin expressed by subscriptione sua comprobare. So little did our Forefathers dream of Mens subscribing such Articles as they did not believe true.

Here I must add the Resolution of all the Judges of England; which tho' I have already alleged it, to prove that we are required by the 13th of Eliz. to subscribe all the Thirty nine Articles; I shall notwithstanding repeat in this Place. Because it proves also, that we are bound by the aforesaid Statute to believe, that the Articles we subscribe are true. My Lord Chief Justice Coke (e) saies, I beard Wray Chief Justice in the King's Bench, Pasch. 23 Eliz. report, that where one Smith subscribed to the Said Thirty nine Articles of Religion, with this Addition (fo far forth as the same were agreeable to the Word of God) it was resolved by him and all the Judges of England, that this Subscription was not according to the Statute of 12 Eliz. Because the Statute required an absolute Subscription, and this Subscription made it conditional? and that this Act was made for avoiding of diversity of Opinions, &c. and by this Addition the Party might by his own private Opinion take some of them to be against the Word of God, and by this means diversity of Opinions should not be avoided, which was the Scope of the Statute, and the very Ast it self made touching Subscription hereby of none Effect. I need not observe, that this solemn

⁽e) Instit. 4. Cap. 74. p. 324.

Judgment, given upon the Statute of the 13th of Eliz. so soon after twas made, carries with it such Weight and Authority, as must needs bear down all Contradiction whatsoever.

But had none of these Expressions ever been used in those Laws which injoin Subscription; yet the very Form in which we are obliged to subscribe, is a Demonstration of what I contend for. I shall not insist upon Archbishop Whitgist's Articles, which have been already recited, and to which Subscription was made, till the Canons of 1603 took place. Tis certain, that we are now confined to the Form prescribed in the Thirty sixth Canon of that Year, which injoins us to subscribe to three Articles, the last of which runs thus;

3. That he alloweth the Book of Articles of Religion agreed upon by the Archbishops and Bishops of both Provinces, and the whole Clergy, in the Convocation holden at London in the Year of our Lord God, One thousand Five bundred Sixty and two: and that he acknowledgeth all and every the Articles therein contained, being in Number Nine and thirty, besides the Ratification, to be agreeable to the

Word of God.

And then the Canon proceeds in the following

Words:

To these three Articles whosoever will subscribe, he shall for the avoiding of all Ambiguities, subscribe in this order and form of Words, setting down both his Christian and Sirname, viz. I N. N. do willingly and ex animo subscribe to these three Articles above mentioned, and to all things that are contained in them

Now I appeal to any indifferent and impartial Man, what an allowance of Doctrins or Propositions (such as the Book of Articles most notoriously is) does and must imply. Nothing less surely than a belief of them, or an acknowledgment that

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they are true. How then can a man be faid to fubfcribe ex animo, that he does allow the Book of Articles, if he does not believe them true? Nay, 'tis to be observ'd, that to allow in the English Copy, is omnino comprobare in the Latin. So that nothing less than a sincere Belief of the Articles could be meant by the Allowance of them. And consequently the very Form of our Subscription obliges us to, and imports, a Belief of the Truth of the Articles subscribed.

And accordingly this was the constant Sense and Opinion of those, who had the best Opportunities of knowing the Extent and Force of their Subscription to the Articles. The Postcript to Renald Wolf's Latin Edition in 1563, as appears from the Collation, runs thus, Hos Articulos Christiana Fidei, &c. Archiepiscopi & Episcopi utriusq; Provincia Regni Anglia, in sacra Provinciali Synodo legitime congregati, unanimi affensu recipiunt & profitentur, & ut veros atque Orthodoxos, manuum suarum subscriptionibus approbant, &c. universusque Clerus inferioris domus eosdem & recepit & professus est, ut ex manuum suarum subscriptionibus patet, quas obtulit & deposuit apud eundem Reverendissimum, quinto die Februarii, Anno pradicto. Again, the Subscription of the Upper House to the English MS. of 1571, now lodged in Bennet College Library, runs thus, We the Archbishops and Bishops of either Province of this Realm of England, lawfully gathered together in this Provincial Synod holden at London. with Continuations and Prorogations of the same, do receive, profess and acknowledge the Thirty eight Articles. before written in Nineteen Pages going before, to contain true and sound Dostrine, and do approve and ratify the same by the Subscription of our Hands the 11th Day of May in the Year of our Lord 1571, and in the Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth, by the Grace

of God of England, France and Ireland, Queen, Defender of the Faith, & c. the Thirteenth. And the Form of Subscription in 1604 (fee Chap. 26.) runs thus; To all and singular the precedent Articles of Religion comprised in this Booke, being in Number Thirty nine, we the By hops and whole Cleargy of the Province of Canterburye affembled in the Convocation holden at London, uppen a publique Readinge and deliberate Consideracion of the sayed Articles the 18th of May in the Yeare of our Lord God 1604. have willingly and with one accorde consented and subscribed. These Forms of Subscription are undeniable Evidences. that the Subscribers declar'd their Belief of the Truth of the Articles they subscrib'd, and that they

thought their Subscription meant as much.

'Twere easy to demonstrate, that this was all along the Notion and Persuasion of all that subscribed, from the Course of that notable Controversy concerning Subscription to the Book of Articles, which imploy'd so many Pens in the Reigns of Queen Elizabeth and King James the First. Those who refus'd Subscription, always took it for granted, that they were suppos'd to believe the Articles true; and their Adversaries never denied it, that I can learn. Nay, I challenge any Person that thinks otherwise, to produce so much as a single Passage from the beginning of the Reformation to the end of King James the First's Reign (and I shall soon declare the Judgment of aftertimes) that does fo much as intimate, that twas ever thought lawful to subscribe such Articles as they did not believe. The Truth is, both Parties in the Dispute before mention'd (than which nothing could more properly or naturally occasion some Notice to be taken of the contrary Opinion) agreed upon that Supposition, as an undoubted Maxim, that whosoever subscrib'd ought to believe the Articles. So that

that Mr. Rogers, who wrote from his own Experience, having flourished in Queen Elizabeth's and King Fames I. Times, and was so well acquainted with the Writings of that Period, had good reason to fay (in the Thirty third Section of his Dedication of his Book on the Articles to Archbishop Bancroft, bearing Date March 11. 1607.) that since the first Establishment of that Statute Law (viz. the 12th Chap, of the 13th of Eliz, which injoins the Sub-Scription) the most Reverend Fathers, and truly reformed Ministers of this Church (Sound, for Judgment; profound. for Learning; zealous, for Affection; sincere, for Religion; faithful, in their Churches; painful, in their Charges; more profitable many waies, of as tender Consciences every way, as any of these Brethren combined) according both to their bounden Duties, and (as they are persuaded) to the very Purport and true Intent of the said Statute, have alwaies both with their Mouths acknowledged, and with their Pens approved the Thirty nine Articles of our Religion for Truths, not to be doubted of, and godly. Speaking also (Sect. 28.) of the Subscription required by the Thirty sixth Canon in particular, he saies, In which Constitutions the Wisdom of his Highwis showes it self to be excellent, who indeed (as exceeding necessary, both for the retaining of Peace in the Church, and preventing of new Doctrine, curious Speculations, and Offences, which otherwise daily would spring up, and intolerably increase) calles for Subscription, in Testimony of Mens cordial Consent unto the received Doctrine of our Church. Nay, he acknowledges (Sect. 22.) that, if their Allegations were true, those who refus'd Subscription to the Articles, were highly to be commended, because they had rather to forego all their earthly Commodities, and Livings, yea and to go from their Charges, and Ministry, and to expose them-Selves, their Wives, and Children, to the Miseries of this World (grievous for our Flesh and Blood to indure) then

to approve any thing for true and sound by their Hands, which is opposite, or not agreeable to, the revealed Will and Scriptures of God. For he takes it for granted, as all Men did in his Days, that all who subscribed, did by their Hands approve what they subscribed, for true and sound.

In one Word, we must observe the Difference between what the Church requires of her Laity, and what she requires of her Clergy. In her Canons of 1603 she admits the Laity to her Communion, provided they conform to her Liturgy, &c. and do not impugn the Articles. I confess, if any Lay Person shall affirm the said Articles to be in any part superstitious or erroneous, or such as may not be with a good Conscience subscribed; he is censured by the fifth Canon: but if he holds his peace, and makes no opposition to them, he is not obliged to subscribe the Articles, and thereby to acknowledge, that he professes and believes them true. This I speak of the Laity in general; for it must be re-membred, that some Lay Persons, in particular Cases, are obliged to make the Subscription prescribed in the Thirty sixth Canon; and consequently must do it in the Sense before declar'd. But then as for the Clergy, the Church does not fuffer them to be ordained, or entrusted with any public Ministration, without that express Subscription of which we have been speaking, and a solemn Repetition of it upon every Occasion. This Method she takes, that she may the more effectually secure the Orthodoxy of such as are to instruct others; and thereby prevent, as much as in her lies, the broaching and increase of false and pernicious Doctrins.

And upon this foot have Matters flood ever fince. Tho' the same Subscription has been afresh

inioined fince the Death of King James the First; yet not the least Expression has been dropped in any Statute or other public Act, which may give the least Countenance to an Alteration of the Importance of the Subscription. On the contrary, in the memorable Declaration of King Charles the First, we find these Words; Tho' some Differences have been ill raised, yet we take comfort in this, that all Clergymen within our Realm, have always most willingly subscribed to the Articles established: which is an Argument to us, that they all agree in the true usual literal Meaning of the said Articles; and that even in those curious Points in which the present Differences lie, Men of all sorts take the Articles of the Church of England to be for them; which is an Argument again, that none of them intend any Defertion of the Articles established. A Man can't read this Passage without observing, that every Subscriber to the Articles was then supposed to believe them true; tho' in some Propositions different Men understood them differently: Even as those Men acknowledge the Scriptures to be true, who give different Expositions of some particular Texts. And therefore, fince all our Laws do speak this Language, without the least Variation to this Day; the Sense of the Subscription does and must continue the same, and necessarily imply a Profession and Belief of the Truth of the Articles.

And indeed this was constantly the Sense of the Subscribers themselves, in the Reigns, not only of Queen Elizabeth and King James I. (as I have already said) but also of the blessed Martyr. The Declaration aforesaid is sufficient Proof of this. But to confirm it, I challenge any Person to produce a single Passage to the contrary from the

Writings of those Times.

CHAP. XXXIV.

An Objection from some Passages of Archbishop Laud, Mr. Chillingworth, Archbishop Bramhall, and Bishop Stillingsleet, answered.

I Confess, it has been of late pretended, that Archbishop Laud, and Mr. Chillingworth, do favor another Sense of the Subscription; and intimate, that our Church does not thereby require a Belief, but only Non-opposition to her Doctrin. I shall therefore consider the several Passages quoted for this Purpose.

The Archbishop (a) has these Words;

I did not say, that the Book of Articles only was the Continent of the Church of England's public Doctrine. She is not so narrow, nor has she purpose to exclude any thing, which she acknowledges hers; nor doth she willingly permit any Crossing of her public Declarations; yet she is not such a Shrew to her Children, as to deny her Blessing, or denounce an Anathema against them, if some peaceably dissent in some Particulars remoter from the Foundation, as your own School-men differ. And if the Church of Rome, since she grew to her Greatness, had not been so sierce in this Course, and too particular in determining too many things, and making them Matters of necessary Belief, which had gone for many Hundreds of Years before, only for things of pious Opinion, Christendom (I persuade my self) had been in happier Peace at this day, then, I doubt, we shall ever live to see it.

⁽a) Conference with Fisher, Sect. 14. p. 50, 51, 52. Lond. 1639.

Well, but A. C. will prove the Church of England a Shrew, and such a Shrew. For in her Book of Canons she excommunicates every Man who shall hold any thing contrary to any part of the said Articles. So A. C. But furely these are not the very Words of the Canon, nor perhaps the Sense. Not the Words; for they are: Whosoever shall affirm, that the Articles are in any part superstitious, or erroneous, &c. And perhaps not the Sense. For it is one thing for a Man to hold an Opinion privately within himself; and another thing boldly and publicly to affirm it. And again, 'tis one thing to hold contrary to some part of an Article, which perhaps may be but in the manner of Expression; and another thing positively to affirm, that the Articles in any part of them are superstitions, and erroneous. But this is not the Main of the Business. For the the Church of England denounce Excommunication, as is before expressed; yet she comes far short of the Church of Rome's Severity, whose Anathema's are not only for Thirty nine Articles, but for very many more, above One hundred in matter of Doctrine; and that in many Points as far remote from the Foundation, tho' to the far greater Rack of Men's Consciences, they must be all made Fundamental, if that Church have once determined them: whereas the Church of England never declared, That every one of her Articles are Fundamental in the Faith. For 'tis one thing to say: No one of them is superstitious or erroneous: And quite another to fay: Every one of them is Fundamental, and that in every part of it, to all Men's Belief. Besides the Church of England prescribes only to her own Children, and by those Articles provides but for her own peaceable Consent in those Doctrines of Truth: But the Church of Rome severely imposes her Dostrine upon the whole World under pain of Damnation. Now these Words do manifestly relate, not to the Subcription required by the Thirty sixth Canon, but to what the Church requires of the Laity in general by the Fifth Canon, of which I have already discours'd. The Church of Rome declares of all her Errors contain'd in the Trent Creed, that they are that Faith, extra quam nemo salvus esse potest; and consequently requires the Profession of her Doctrins, as fundamental and necessary to Salvation: Whereas the Church of England on the contrary, as the Archbishop argues, declares no such thing concerning her Articles, and admits those to her Communion, who do not disturb her

Peace by openly impugning the Articles.

But what is all this to the Subcription required by the Thirty fixth Canon? The Church of England may indulge the Laity in general as much as fhe pleases, and thereby act quite contrary to the Church of Rome, which binds all the Laity to the Profession of her numberless Errors; altho' she requires the Clergy (and some few of the Laity, in particular Cases) to subscribe her Articles, and thereby to profess the Belief of them. For surely, 'twill not follow, that because the Church does not oblige the Laity in general to profess the Truth of her Articles in the Fifth Canon, upon which the Archbishop expressy grounds his Discourse; therefore she does not oblige the Clergy (and some few of the Laity, in the Cases before hinted at) to believe those Articles true, which they subcribe in obedience to the Thirty fixth Canon. And had either the Jesuite or the Archbishop intended more than the general Case of the Laity, and the different Usage of them in the Church of England and that of Rome; they could not have failed to quote and argue upon the Thirty fixth Canon: Whereas they mention

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only the Fifth Canon. Besides, had they intended to treat of the Case of the Clergy, as it disfers in both Churches, they could not but have observed and insisted upon the Oath to the Trent Creed, which is required of the Clergy by the Church of Rome, and that the Church of England requires nothing like it: whereas no Notice is taken of any such Oath, nor does the Archbishop (who uses to argue as directly to the Point, as any Writer ever did) retort that Oath, or make mention of it. From which Considerations 'tis manifest, that they disputed about the case of the Laity only. And consequently the Archbishop's Authority in this Place cannot be alleged to determin the Sense of the Subscription; much less to alter it from what it

had constantly been esteemed from the Beginning of the Reformation.

I must add, that such an Exposition of the Sense of the Subcription could not but have expos'd him to the Malice of those, who were notoriously prejudiced against him, and would have been glad to find him in this Instance subverting (as they would have thought and call'd it) the established Doctrin of the Church, by declaring that those who subscribed it, were not bound to believe it true. What Clamors this would have occasion'd, and how much Mischief it would have done him, I need not say. And yet this Objection was never made against him, that I can find, either by the Fanatical Author of the Reply to his Relation, printed in Quarto in 1640, or by Mr. Prynne himself, or any other of his most bitter Adversaries. From whence I can't but conclude, that they understood the Archbishop as I do now, and as his Words do manifestly require; tho' some Persons have been so unhappy, as to pervert his Meaning since.

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What Mr. Chillingworth saies, is now to be considered. The Thirty ninth and Fortieth Sections of his Presace to the Author of Charity maintain'd, run thus.

39. And thus your Venom against me is in a manner spent, saving only that there remain two little Impertinencies, whereby you would disable me from being a sit Advocate for the Cause of Protestants. The sirst, because I resule to subscribe the Articles of the Church of England. The second, because I have set down in writing Motives which sometime induc'd me to forsake Protestantism, and hitherto have not answer'd them.

40. By the former of which Objections it (hould feem, that either you conceive the Thirty nine Articles the common Dostrine of all Protestants; and if they be, why have you so often upbraided them with their many and great Differences? Or else, that it is the peculiar Defence of the Church of England, and not the common Cause of all Protestants, which is here undertaken by me: which are certainly very gross Mistakes. And yet, why he who makes scruple of subscribing the Truth of one or two Propositions, may not yet be fit enough to maintain, that those who do subscribe them, are in a savable Condition, I do not understand. Now tho' I hold not the Dostrine of all Protestants absolutely true (which with Reason cannot be requir'd of me, while they hold Contradictions) yet I hold it free from all Impiety, and from all Error destructive of Salvation, or in it self damnable: And this, I think, in Reason may sufficiently qualifie me, for a Maintainer of . this Affertion, that Protestancy destroys not Salvation. For the Church of England, I am persuaded, that the constant Doctrine of it is so pure and Orthodox, that whosoever believes it, and lives according to it, undoubtedly he shall be saved; and that there is no Error in it, which may necessitate or warrant any Man to disturb the Peace, or renounce the Communion of . This in my Opinion is all intended

intended by Subscription; and thus much if you conceive me not ready to subscribe, your Charity, I affure you, is much mistaken.

In the latter part of the Words before quoted Mr. Chillingworth afferts, that in his Opinion, all that is intended by Subscription is, that the constant Doctrin of the Church of England is so pure and Orthodox, that whosoever believes it, and lives according to it, shall undoubtedly be saved; and that there is no Error in it, which may necesfitate or warrant any Man to disturb the Peace, or renounce the Communion of it. From whence it may feem to follow, that a Man may, in Mr. Chillingworth's Opinion, subscribe the Articles, altho' he does not think every Proposition of them true; provided the untrue Pproposition be of so small Consequence, as was before described. But I answer, that when Mr. Chillingworth saies, This in my Opinion is all intended by Subscription, he neither does nor can mean, this is all that the Person who subscribes, is supposed and required by the Subscription, to profels. For then Mr. Chillingworth must needs be inconfistent with himself. For he owns, that he did at that time refuse to subscribe; and yet confesses, that he was at that very time ready to subscribe, that the constant Doctrin of the Church of England is fo pure and Orthodox, that whofoever believes, and lives according to it, shall undoubtedly be faved; and that there is no Error in it, which may necessitate or warrrant any Man to disturb the Peace, or renounce the Communion of it. Surely he would not refuse Subscription, tho' he was ready to subscribe what he refus'd Subscription to.

Wherefore the Case was plainly this. Mr. Chillingworth was persuaded, that those who subscribe, F f 2

are supposed and required to subscribe to the Truth of the Articles. For he therefore refus'd to fubscribe, because he made scruple of subscribing the Truth of one or two Propositions; his Doubts about which Propositions made him refuse Subscription to the Articles in general, which included those Propositions. And yet he was at the same time persuaded, and ready to subscribe, that the constant Doctrin of the Church of England is so pure and Orthodox, that who foever believes it, and lives according to it, shall undoubtedly be faved. And he continued in Communion with our Church: because, tho' he scrupled subcribing one or two Propositions, yet he was persuaded, and ready to subscribe, that there is no Error in her Doctrin, which may necessitate or warrant any Man to difturb her Peace, or renounce her Communion. So that the Propositions he scrupled to subscribe, were of no great or dangerous Consequence. Wherefore, when he faies, that what he was thus ready to subscribe, at the same time that he refus'd the legal Subscription, was in his Opinion, all intended by Subscription; he must needs mean, that what he was ready to subscribe, was all that our Governors did by Subscription intend and endevor to secure and provide for the Acknowledgment of; tho' the Form of Subscription legally injoin'd, carried the matter fomething farther, than the first Design of it did, in his Opinion, oblige our Governors to insist on. For the Form requires Men to subscribe willingly and ex animo to all things contained in the Articles, that is, to the Truth of them all; and therefore, tho' Mr. Chilling worth was ready to subscribe what was intended, yet he refused to subscribe what was required,

This is the natural Interpretation of what Mr. Chillingworth saies; nor can he otherwise be reconciled to himself. And if this Interpretation be just, it is so far from weakning, that it very much strengthens, what I have been hitherto proving. For Mr. Chillingworth's Case is of great Authority. He wanted not the utmost Indulgence of the King and the Archbishop; and they would have allow'd him, as foon as any Man in the whole World, any foftning Interpretation of the Terms of Ministerial Conformity. And yet you see, that he could not conform, and confequently could not obtain any Preferment, merely for the fake of one or two Propositions of no great Consequence, which he therefore could not subscribe, because he could not acknowledge the truth of them. So that an Acknowledgement of the Truth of all the Propositions contained in the Articles was then infifted on, as the only Meaning of the Subscription, even in Mr. Chillingworth's Case; and much more furely in Persons of infinitly less Consideration and Interest. I must add however, that Mr. Chillingworth did afterwards overcome those Difficulties, and subscribe the Truth of those Propositions he formerly doubted of. For in the Year 1638, he was made Chancellor of Sarum, &c.

We are now come to the great Rebellion, during which there was but one Writer, that I know of, whose Authority is alleged against the Necessity of believing the Truth of those Articles which we subscribe. 'Tis the excellent Archbishop Bramball, whose Words are (b) these, We do not suffer any Man to reject the Thirty nine Articles of the Church of England at his pleasure; yet neither do we look upon

⁽b) Schism Guarded, Seef. 1. Ch. 11. p. 345. Dublin 1676.

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them as Essentials of saving Faith, or Legacies of Christ and of his Apostles: but in a meane, as pious Opinions sitted for the Preservation of Unity; neither do we oblige any Man to believe them, but only not to contradict them. And (c) again, Neither doth the Church of England define any of these Questions as necessary to be believed, either necessitate medii, or necessitate præcepti, which is much less; but only bindeth her Sons for Peace sake not to

Now whosoever reads these Passages, can't but perceive, that they are opposed to the Romanists, who make all the Articles of their Trent Creed necessary to Salvation; and that the Archbishop speaks of what our Church requires of the Laity in general, and not of the Subscription requir'd by the 26th Canon. Wherefore what has been already said, 1. concerning the difference between what our Church requires of the Clergy, and what she requires of the Laity; 2. concerning the Passage quoted from Archbishop Laud, is a full and clear Answer to the Argument drawn from the foregoing Passages of Archbishop Bramball.

Thus then are we arrived at the Restoration of King Charles the Second; and we have found the whole Stream of our Laws (both Ecclesiastical and Temporal) and also of our Writers, jointly declaring, that those who subscribe the Thirty nine Articles, are required to believe them true. I need not carry this Account farther. However, I will take leave to mention one Writer more, whose Au-

thority has been misapplied in this Case.

It has been thought, that the most Learned Bishop Stillingsleet was of Opinion, that those who subscrib'd the Articles, were not obliged to believe

⁽c) Ibid. Sect. 7. p. 400.

them true. For this Purpose we have been referred to his Rational Account, written in Desence of Archbishop Laud, where we (d) find the following

Passage;

But the Church of England makes no Articles of Faith, but such as have the Testimony and Approbation of the whole Christian World of all Ages, and are acknowledged to be such by Rome it self; and in other things she requires Subscription to them, not as Articles of Faith, but as Inferior Truths, which the expects a Submission to, in order to her Peace and Tranquillity. So the late learned Ld. Primate of Ireland often expresses the Sense of the Church of England, as to her Thirty nine Articles. Neither doth the Church of England, saies be, define any of these Questions, as necessary to be believed, either necessitate medii, or necessitate pracepti, which is much less; but only bindeth her Sons, for Peace sake, not to oppose them. And in another place more fully. We do not fuffer any Man to reject the Thirty nine Articles of the Church of England at his pleasure; yet neither do we look upon them as Effentials of faving Faith, or Legacies of Christ and his Apostles: but in a mean, as pious Opinions fitted for the Preservation of Unity; neither do we oblige any Man to believe them, but only not to contradict them. By which we see, what a vast difference there is between those Things, which are required by the Church of England, in order to Peace; and those which are imposed by the Church of Rome, as part of that Faith, extra quam non est falus, without Belief of which there is no Salvation. In which the has as much violated the Unity of the Catholick Church, as the Church of England by her Prudence and Moderation has studied to preserve it.

⁽d) Part 1. Chap. 2. p. 54, 55. Lond. 1665. But in the Collection of his Works, 'tis Vol. 4. p. 53, 54.

Now what has been already faid concerning the Passages quoted by him from Archbishop Bramball, is abundantly sufficient. If the Bishop has misapplied the Archbishop's Authority, such Misapplication doth not prejudice the Truth, or change the Sense, of the Archbishop's Words. The Bishop does really feem to jumble together the Case of the Clergy in their Subscription, and that of the Laity in bare Non-Opposition; which ought to have been very carefully separated. But we are to make Allowances for the Shortness of that Time, in which that wonderful Man writ fo large a Book. However, that he was not of that Opinion which is fastened on him, I shall prove from his other Works, wherein he vindicates the forecited Passage of his Rational Account, and expresses himself more fully as to this Point.

In his Conferences we (e) read as follows;

R. P. But T. G. saith, That he has degraded the Articles of the Church of England from being Articles of Faith,

into a lower Classe of inferior Truths.

P.D. I perceive plainly, T.G. doth not know what an Article of Faith means according to the Sense of the Church of England. He looks on all Propositions made by the Church as necessary Articles of Faith; which is the Roman Sense, and founded on the Doctrin of Infallibility; but where the Churches Infallibility is rejected, Articles of Faith are such as have been thought necessary to Salvation by the Consent of the Christian World, which Consent is seen in the ancient Creeds. And whatever Doctrine is not contained therein, tho' it be received as Truth, and agreeable to the Word of God, yet is not accounted an Article of Faith: i.e. not immediately necessary to Salvation as a

Point

⁽e) P. 176, 177, 178. Lond. 1679. But in the Collection of his Works, 'tis Vol. 6. p. 58, 59.

Point of Faith. But because of the Dissentions of the Christian World in matters of Religion, a particular Church may for the Preservation of her own Peace declare her Sense as to the Truth and Falshood of some controverted Points of Religion, and require from all Persons who are intrusted in the Offices of that Church, a Subscription to those Articles, which doth imply that they agree with the Sense of that Church about them.

R. P. But Dr. St. Saies from Archbishop Bramhall, that the Church does not oblige any Man to believe them, but only not to contradict them; and upon this T.G. triumphs over Dr. St. as undermining the Doctrine and Go-

vernment of the Church of England.

P. D. Why not over Archbishop Bramhall, whose Words Dr. St. cites? And was be a Favourer of Dissenters, and an Underminer of the Church of England? Tet Dr. St. bimself in that place owns a Subscription to them as necessary; and what doth Subscription imply less than agreeing with the Sense of the Church? So that he saies more than Archbishop Bramhall doth. And I do not see, how his Words can pass, but with this Construction, that when he faies, we do not oblige any Man to believe them, he means, as Articles of Faith, of which he speaks just before. I do freely yield, that the Church of England doth require Assent to the Truth of those Propositions which are contained in the Thirty nine Articles; and so doth Dr. St. when he saies, the Church requires Subscription to them as inferior Truths, i. e. owning them to be true Propositions, tho' not as Articles of Faith, but Articles of Religion, as our Church calls them.

In his Answer to several Treatises against his Discourse of the Idolatry of the Church of Rome we (f) read as follows:

⁽f) Pref. (e 4. and f.) Lond. 1673. Amongst his Works, Vol. 5. a 3 (backfide) and a 4.

But, Saith T. G. why did I not appeal for the Sense of our Church to the Thirty nine Articles? As the the Approbation of the Book of Homilies were not one of them, viz. the Thirty fifth. The Second Book of Homilies, the feveral Titles whereof we have join'd under this Article (among which Titles the second is this, Of the Peril of Idolatry) does contain a godly and wholefom Doctrine, and necessary for these Times. Which Articles were not only allowed and approved by the Queen, but confirmed by the Subscriptions of the Hands of the Archbishops and Bishops of the upper House, and by the Subscription of the whole Clergy in the nether House of Convocation A. D. 1571. Now I desire T. G. to resolve me, whether Men of any common Understanding would have Subscrib'd to this Book of Homilies in this manner, if they had believed the main Doetrin and Design of one of them bad been false and pernicious? as they must have done, if they had thought the Practice of the Roman Church to be free from Idolatry. I will put the Case, that any of the Bishops then had thought the charge of Idolatry had been unjust, and that it had subverted the Foundation of Ecclesiastical Authority, that there could have been no Church, or right Ordination, if the Roman Church had been guilty of Idolatry; would they have inferted this into the Articles, when it was in their power to have left it out? and that the Homilies contained a wholesom and godly Doctrine, which in their Consciences they believed to be false and pernicious? I might as well think, that the Council of Trent would have allowed Calvin's Institutions, as containing a wholesom and godly Do-Etrin; as that Men so persuaded would have allowed it the Homily against the Peril of Idolatry. And how is it possible to understand the Sense of our Church better, than by such publick and authentick Acts of it, which all Persons who are in any place of Trust in the Church must subscribe. and declare their Approbation of them? And

And in his Unreasonableness of Separation he (g) proposeth, in order to Accommodation with the Dissenters, who refused to subscribe the Thirty nine Articles, that they may be allowed to make an absolute Subscription to all those Articles, which concern the Doctrine of the true Christian Faith, and the Use of the Sacraments; and a solemn Promise under their Hand, or Subscription of peaceable Submission as to the rest, so as not to oppose or contradict them, either in Preaching or Writing; which necessarily implies, that in the Bishop's Judgment an absolute Subscription (viz. a Subscription of Belief, as opposed to a Subscription of peaceable Submission) is at present injoined, as a Term of Ministerial Conformity. Wherefore I hope the most Learned Bishop Stilling fleet will no longer be accounted a Patron of that Interpretation of the present Subscription, which he has so plainly and frequently declared himself against.

How long this Opinion which I have been confuting, has been broached, perhaps 'tis needless to shew. In the Year 1670 a certain Writer said, it is most reasonable to presume, that the Church requires Subscription to the Articles, as to an Instrument of Peace only; and he endevor'd to confirm his Notion by alleging those Words of Archbishop Bramball, which I have already confidered, and proved to be foreign to the Purpose. The same Author afterwards added, that be had shewn (I suppose, in the Passage already referr'd to) that the Governors and Representatives of our Church do not require our internal Affent to their Articles, but injoin our Submission to them, as to an Instrument of Peace only. I verily believe, this Author was the first Man, that openly favor'd this Opinion. Nor can I persuade my self, that it has gained much

⁽g) Pref. p. 91. Lond. 1681. Works, Vol. 2. p. 468.

Ground. I am fure, I can remember but one Writer more that has declared himself for it, before the Close of the last Century. 'Twas a Person that wrote in the Year 1690, but he conceal'd his Name.

I confess, we have (b) been assured, that it has obtained with High Church, that our Articles are not Articles of Belief, but of Peace; and that their subscribing em is not to be consider'd as a Declaration of their Opinion, but as a bare Obligation to Silence. But I challenge that Libeller to support his Charge by producing so much as one fingle Instance. I am fure, the Writer whose Words I quoted just now, lived long enough to demonstrate, that he abhorred the Name of an High Church Man. The Truth is, as far as my Conversation can inform me, I believe, both High Church and Low Church (fince I am necessitated to mention that Knawish Distinction) subscribe the Articles with equal Sincerity, and are fully perfuaded, that by Subscription they are understood to profess the Belief of them.

However, if fuch as think it lawful for those to fubscribe the Articles, who do not believe them true, were much more numerous and confiderable. than can possibly be pretended; yet their Authority is by no means sufficient to overbalance the plaineft and most express Words of our Statutes and Canons, the unanimous Resolution of all the Judges of England in the Year 1581, the strict Form of our Subscription, and the constant Sense of all our Learned Divines, from the beginning of the Reformation down (at least) to the Restoration.

⁽b) Preface to the Rights of the Church.

CHAP. XXXV.

What Liberty the Church allows to the Subscribers of the Articles.

IF it be inquired with respect to the particular Sense of each Article, and the several Propositions contained therein, how much we are confin'd by our Subscription, or what Liberty is still indulged us; my Answer is short and plain. When an Article, or any Proposition contained therein, is fairly capable of different Interpretations; that Man may undoubtedly be said to believe the Truth of that Article or Proposition, who believes it true in any fuch Sense, as it will reasonably admit, without doing violence to the Words, and contradicting what our Church has elsewhere taught, and required us to acknowledge. Wherefore any fuch Sense, in which the Article or Proposition may fairly be understood, is to be admitted, and may honestly be meant by the Subscriber. Because the Church requires only the Belief of the Articles in general; and does not restrain us to the Belief of any one Article or Proposition in any particular Sense, farther than we are confined and determined by the Words themselves. And therefore, where the Words themselves do allow a Liberty, the Church does also allow the same; nor are we bound to abridge our felves, where the Church has left us free.

Had the Church so much as intended otherwise, twas in her Power to have penn'd the Articles more strictly, and to have determined every Proposition absolutely. And if she has sound, that Men

Men have invented such new Explications, as were not known at the time of the first Compiling of the Articles; there is the same Legislative Authority still in Being, which can prevent or stifle any such Explication as the Church will not admit of. Wherefore, till the Church exerts such an Authority, her first Design, or present Permission (either of which is sufficient, and of equal consideration, in this Case) is manifest. Nor is any Person bound, either in Law or Conscience, to inquire farther,

or to make any other Compliance.

Besides, when an Article or Proposition is fairly capable of two different Senses; I would fain know, who has Power to determin which is the Church's Sense. The Church determins no farther than her Words do necessarily mean; and when her Words do not abridge our Liberty, can a private Person give an authentic Explication of her Words, and oblige his Equals to admit the same? If so; then every Man has equal Power to oblige his Equals to admit and profess, what he declares to be the Church's Sense. And then every private Man's Sense will be necessary; and every Man will be obliged to as many different Senses, as there have been private Persons bold enough to make Senses for him. How absurd this Fansy is, and with what Consequences'twill necessarily be attended, I need not fay.

It may be pretended, perhaps, that the concurrent Sense of the first Writers, ought to interpret the Church's Words, and to restrain the Sense of the Articles. But to this the Answer is easy. 'Twill, I fear, be difficult to get (what may truly deserve the Name of) a concurrent Sense of Writers in the far greater Number of Cases. A single Writer or two will not do. For did they write by

Authority?

Authority? Or were all that lived in their Time of the same Opinion? Might not the Convocation themselves differ as much as the Words are capable of admitting? And must we be determin'd only by a very few that happen'd to write, when the rest had equal Authority? For my part, I think it much more reasonable to suppose, that the Church intended a Liberty, and was refolv'd to determin no more than she thought necessary; and that when she had secured such Truths, as she was most concern'd for, and had chiefly at Heart, she was content to leave Matters of inferior Moment undetermin'd. This was undoubtedly the Case in many Instances; particularly the Descent into Hell; when the Majority were plainly of an Opinion, which is now generally exploded; and the Church so contriv'd the Article on purpose, as that it might receive different Senses. And why she might not purposely intend the same Latitude in all other Articles, where her Words do fairly bear different Interpretations, I cannot conceive.

In short, the bare Imposition of public Declarations (whether upon Oath, by Subscription, or otherwise) plainly shews, what Liberty is intended and allow'd to those that make them. They are injoin'd by Superiors as Tests of the Sentiments and Dispositions of their Subjects. And since Superiors themselves do best know, what measure of Satisfaction and Information they desire; 'tis therefore in their Power to make the Tests as sull and expressive as they please. Wherefore, when Superiors leave a manifest Latitude in the Expressions, or a fair Capacity of different Senses; or when 'tis notorious to Superiors themselves that different Senses of a Test are given by sincere and good Men, and that the Words will fair-

ly bear them; and they are so far from restrain-ing this Practice by altering the Form, that they still continue it, and encourage and favor those who publicly own, and signify, what they under stand thereby: In these Cases 'tis certain, that the Superiors defire no more of the Subjects, than the Form does necessarily imply; and what Diverfity or Latitude the Form will fairly admit, they freely grant the Subjects leave to take the Benefit of. Any fuch Sense or Interpretation is, by the Imposers own Act, made the Imposers own Sense. For both Superiors and Subjects do sufficiently understand each other; and there is open dealing on both Sides. The Superiors know as much of the Sentiments and Dispositions of the Subjects, as they defire to be fecur'd of, and acquainted with: and the Subjects discover and acknowledge, as much as the Superiors desire to know. Matters might indeed have been driven farther between them, and made more explicit: but as much is actually don, as gives Content to each Party, and creates a mutual Confidence. Wherefore I can't but think, that if a Man doubts of the Sense of his Declaration. whether it be fuch as he may mean in the making of it, he ought, in the Presence of God, to ask his Conscience this Question, Do I verily think, that if I were to acquaint my Superiors with it, they would allow me to understand my Declaration thus. I dare say, the answer of his Conscience would be a true Resolution of the Doubt.

To conclude this Point, I would by no means be so understood, as if I pleaded either, 1. for the Imposition of so great a Number of Articles, as we are now obliged to subscribe; or, 2. for the Necessity of requiring the Acknowledgment of the Truth of the present Articles. Perhaps the Church would

would be equally safe, if the Number were abridged; or if, according to Bishop Stilling sheet's Proposal abovementioned, tho' we were required to own the Truth of the most momentous Doctrins, yet it were allowed sufficient barely not to oppose or contradict the rest. But I forbear. I am not inquiring, what is most desirable; but what is our Duty in our present Circumstances: not what Impositions would have been sufficient; but what have been actually laid upon us. And as in this Inquiry I have proceeded honestly; so I have spoken my Mind impartially, and determin'd, I hope, on the side of Truth.

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ADVERTISE MENT.

Onfidering the numberless unavoidable Accidents, which attended the collating, digesting, transcribing, composing, and working off, so very many Thousands of the minutest Variations, reduced by Letters of the Alphabet into so narrow a Compass, and in the far greatest part of which the Sense could not either guide or correct me; the Collation is printed, I may justly say, much better than could be expected. However, since there are some, comparatively very sew, Expanse in it (the' those are in general mere Trisles) I have resolved, because I aim at the utmost Exactness, to give the following Table of them, by which the Reader may correct them, if he thinks it worth his while, or at least may turn to them, if need require.

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In the Numbers of Art. 20, 21, 27, 37, read Vicefimus or Tricefimus.

In the Text.

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p. 57. 1. 3. bef. we i. [*] p. 59. 1. 7. a. al. i. [*]	p. 116. 1. 2. bef. full Point i. [*]
p. 61111. 4. (of Art. 16.) a. lingly i. [*]	p. 117. 1. 2. a. finished i. [*] 6. bef Comma i. [†]
p. 63. 1. 6. r. [34]	10. bl. [19] 12. bl [25]
8. al be i. [†] r. comdemned	p. 120. 1. 3. bl. [11] p. 122. l. 2. (of Art. 34.) bl.
p. 64. 1. 2. p. [*] and Comma a. prædestinatione	full Point p. 126. l. 2. a. authoritatem i.
p. 70. 1. 5. r. ob	[†] p. 127. 1. 4. bl. [55]
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p. 79; l. 5. a. not i. [*] p. 86. l. 1. a. ita i. [*]	p. 140. l. 4. (of Art. 37.) p. Comma a. Domi-
p. 98. l. 5. bl. [13] p. 99. l. 5. a. is i. [*]	p. 143. 1. 5. a. some i. [*]
p. 109. d. 1. bef. Transubstanti- ation i. [*]	p. 144. l. 5. r. illi [*] celefia- fici 7. bl. [31]
4. a. but i. [†4] p. 112. l. 5. bet. visibiliter and	p. 147. 1. 4. p. Comma a. [98] p. 150. 1. 5. bef. justicia i. [*]
the Parenthesis i. [*]	

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5. p. Comma a.	9. bl. full Point
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21. i. Biffhops A.	17. bl. the whole
22. bl. A.	of it
35. add F.	c. 2. 1. 12. add doe F.
37. r. Comma MS	p. 34. c. 2. l. f. f. A. r. W.
c. 2. 1. 17. r. MS. B.	p. 35. c. 1. 1. 16. add [*] Com-
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p. 30. c. s. I. q. add I	
p. 37. c. 1. l. 10. add L.	[*] accounted F.
14. add F.	c. 2. 1 1. add B.
23. add doe F.	p. 49. c. 1. 1. 12. add B.
c. 2. J. 7. add L.	c. 2. 1. 2. add G.
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p. 41. c. 1. 1. 6. f. L. r. I.	ma B.
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of it.	21. add K.
8. f. L. r. I.	p. 56. c. 2. 1. 1. r. quecunque
26. add I.	precepta MS.
c. 2. 1. 7. add A. B.	p. 57. c. 1. l. 3. r. A. F.
11. f. I. r. L.	5. f. D. r. B.
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23. add B.	l. 8. f. I. r. L.
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[*] no Gom-	with no Point
ma W.	after ordi-
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bef. A.	thinesse F.
7. r. wherupon, B.	
8. add L.	c, 2, 1, 7, f. A.r. B.
24. add calling F.	
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22. add F. par-	whole of
	16. S them.
takyng L.	10.) them.
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con MS.	w. in MS
witha dash	ris written
over the	Poris With
	a Dash over
ble.	head
a. 1. 19. i. [†] Lord F.	p. 119-c. 1.1 7. (of Art 32.)
1, 20, add A.	add F
a. 1. 23. i. [++] read it	1.11. add command-
is F.	ed F.
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of it.	a 1 last, add [*] no
p. 121 c. 1. 1. (of Art. 32)	Point MS.
add A.	p. 129. c. 2. l. 1. r MS. A. B.
(of Art. 33)	2. add L.
a [1] add	p. 130. c 2 1. 9. f. Der In
This Article	24. r. works
hath No. 32.	25. bl the whole
affix'd to it	ofic
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without any	
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avoided	kennesse A.
rr add F.	p. 133. c 2 l 3. f. A. r. F.
p. 122. c, 2 1. 3 (of Art. 34.)	p. 136 c. 2. 1. 2. r. Presbytero-
bl. MS.	rum W. In M S. 'tis
p. 123. c. 2. l. 4. bl. authoritie	M S. 'tis
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- c. 2: 1. 8. (of Art. 34.)	dash over the r; so that
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ma,	Reader is by this time
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7 r countries	length, would have writ
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2 add F.	y in the fecond Syllable.
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of it.	ter observed
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c 2.1. 7. f. A. r. W.	23. add C. D. E
and add	p. 138. c. r. a. note [12] i.
austoritate	[*] supersti-
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tie hlabombala	26. add B.
11. bl. the whole	. c. 2. l. 16. add I.
of it.	p. 141. c. 1. l. 3. (of Art. 37.)
20. bl. authoritie	add A.B.H.
MS. I	L.

1. 7, 8. r.[6] p.30.B. 1	11. p. Comma
chief MS.	a. corpore
p. 143. c. 1. l. 2. add F.	15. T. predicant
a. note [32]	16. r. unacum
i. [*] flan-	p. 153. c. 1. 1. 18. p. no Point
derous F.	a. Wigorn
p. 144. C. 1. a. note [29]	c. 2. 1. 16. p. full Point
i [*] Eccle-	a. Thom
fiastici MS.	a note [3]
W.	i. [*] alow-
6. 2. l. 1. bl.the whole	ed L.
of it.	p. 154. 1. 4. r. pa
p. 145. C. I. l. 23. add commi-	26. p. Comma a.
ted B.	this
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maye.	35,6. r. over viginti
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ment	p. 156. 1. 2. a. lineas p.
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D. E. F. H.	bl.fullPoint
	a. quatuor.
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1, 11, bl. A.	a. Sarisburi-
	en
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lerr. bl. L.	a. Bathen
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